

Weather

Rather fine today. The maximum temperature yesterday was 49.3 and the minimum 21.4, the figures for the corresponding day last year being 35.1 and -13.6.

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BALANCE OF POWER MUST GO FOR EVER IS WILSON'S PLEA

Old World Order Must Give Way, He Says At Guildhall

WHY WE FOUGHT

Otherwise All Lives Will Have Been Lost In Vain

TELLS SOLUTION

League Of Nations As Trust Of Peace Of World

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 28.—President Wilson speaking at the Guildhall this afternoon in response to an address of welcome by the Lord Mayor said:

"Mr. Lord Mayor, we have come upon times when ceremonies like this have a new significance which must impress me as I stand here. The address which I have just heard is most generously and graciously conceived and the delightful accent of sincerity in it seems like a part of that voice of counsel which is now everywhere to be heard.

Joy At Peace And Victory

"I feel that a distinguished honor has been conferred upon me by this reception and I beg to assure you, sir, and your associates of my very profound appreciation, but I know that I am only part of what I may call a great body of circumstances. I do not believe that it was fancy on my part that I heard in the voice of welcome uttered in the streets of this great city and in the streets of Paris something more than a personal welcome. It seemed to me that I heard the voice of one people speaking to another people and it was a voice in which one could distinguish a singular combination of emotion. There was surely there the deep gratefulness that the fighting was over. There was the pride that the fighting had had such a culmination. There was that sort of gratitude that the nations engaged had produced such men as the soldiers of Great Britain and of the United States and of France and of Italy—men whose prowess and achievements they had witnessed with rising admiration as they moved from humiliation to culmination.

Deaths Must Not Be In Vain

"But there was something more in it, the consciousness that the business is not yet done, the consciousness that it now rests upon others to see that those lives were not lost in vain. I have not yet been to the actual battlefields but I have been with many of the men who have fought the battles and the other day I had the pleasure of being present at a session of the French Academy when they admitted Marshal Joffre to their membership. That sturdy serene soldier stood and uttered not words of triumph but the simple words of acceptance for his soldiers and the conviction which he summed up in a sentence, which I will not try accurately to quote but reproduce in its spirit, was that France must always remember that the small and the weak could never live free in the world unless the strong and the great always put their power and their strength in the service of right.

Old Order Must Go

"That, is the afterthought—the thought that something must be done now not only to make the just settlements, that of course, but to see that the settlements remained and were observed and that honor and justice prevailed in the world. And as I have conversed with the soldiers I have been more and more aware that they fought for something which not all of them had defined but which all of them recognised the moment you stated it to them. They fought to do away with an old order and to establish a new one and the center and characteristic of the old order was that unstable thing which we used to call the 'balance of power,' a thing in which the balance was determined by the sword which was thrown in the one side or the other.

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Over Million Dead Is Price Of Victory France Has Paid

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 28.—It was announced in the Chamber of Deputies today that the French losses up to November 1, 1918, totaled:

Killed:	Officers	81,500
Men	1,040,000	
Missing:	Officers	3,000
Men	311,000	
Prisoners:	Officers	8,200
Men	433,000	

CHINESE MAKE RUN ON TWO JAPANESE BANKS

Yokohama Specie And Bank Of Taiwan Take Steps To Meet Demands

Rumors of the failure of a big Japanese concern in Dairen, in which the Yokohama Specie Bank was said to have been heavily interested, started a run on the Yokohama Specie Bank and the Bank of Taiwan yesterday afternoon, which will probably continue this morning. Both banks have made arrangements to meet the situation and closed negotiations with ten Chinese banks last night to honor their notes today. No difficulties are anticipated as both banks are credited by local bankers as having sufficient funds on hand to meet any emergency. The run is confined to the smaller class Chinese shopkeepers and exchange shops. Big merchants regard the run as a joke. Small exchange shops refused the notes yesterday afternoon and last night but the arrangement with ten Chinese banks last night will probably answer today's demands.

The situation is similar to the run on the Hongkong-Shanghai Bank three years ago, when Chinese shopkeepers were instigated by German interests. The bank put on an extra force of men, immediately sent funds to the exchange shops so that notes would not be discounted, made up cash in parcels ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 and as soon as notes were presented to the bank paid them. The Japanese banks will pursue substantially the same course, according to bankers.

The ten banks with whom negotiations were closed for the non-discounting of notes are as follows: An Yue, Zung Yue, Zung Kong, Yue Yuen, Sing Yee, Hung Zhang, Yi Chong, Hong Zhang, Foh Kong and Hung Sung. These institutions will look after the exchange shops and little discounting of either Yokohama Specie Bank or Bank of Taiwan notes is anticipated today.

TWO FANCY DRESS BALLS TO BE HELD THIS EVENING

Dances At Town Hall And French Club Promise To Be Colorful Affairs

Two grand fancy dress balls, the most elaborate to be given here since the beginning of the war, will feature New Year's eve in Shanghai—the Caledonian Ball to be given by the St. Andrew's Society in the Town Hall this evening, and the Alsatian and Lorrainian Ball which has been arranged by the Cercle Sportif Francais.

Huge attendances at both affairs have been indicated by the ticket sales and both the Town Hall and French Club have been decorated with a lavish art.

Real practices for the Caledonian Ball have been going on for some weeks, with record attendances and the big drill floor will be an animated and colorful scene tonight.

Equally colorful will be the new ballroom at the French Club, which has been decorated with the flags and coats-of-arms of France, Alsace and Lorraine. The costumes to be worn will be those of the two liberated provinces. Supper is to be served and the proceeds of the ball will go to French Red Cross funds for Siberia.

PRINCESS PAT BETROTHED

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 27.—Princess Patricia of Connaught has been betrothed to Commander the Hon. Alexander Ramsay, D.S.O. His Majesty the King has gladly given his consent to the union.

On Their Way

By Winsor McCay



WAY TO PEACE IN CHINA PAVED BY AGREEMENT

Settlement Reached In Dispute Over Troops In Shensi And Fukien

(Reuter's Pacific Service) Peking, December 28.—A satisfactory settlement has finally been reached regarding the Shensi and Fukien questions. Spheres have been allotted in which each side is to maintain order and suppress bandits, etcetera, neither of the forces moving forward beyond specified lines. This agreement remains in force until the conclusion of the peace negotiations.

Peking, December 28.—The Tientsin everywhere are feverishly enrolling men. Evidently expecting peace, they desire to possess large forces for disarmament, for which they believe they will receive funds in accordance with their number of men. President Hsu Shih-chang has telegraphed forbidding such enrollment.

South Names Delegates

Peking, December 29.—The Southerners have appointed ten peace delegates, five representing the five Southwestern Provinces, three supposed to represent Fukien, Hunan and Shensi, while Dr. Sun Yat-sen and General Tsen Chun-huan complete the number. Mr. Tang Shao-yi will lead the Southern delegation.

The South contends that each province should be represented, which will give the North a preponderance of six delegates.

Ez-Kaiserin Is Dying, Says German Report

Kaiser Also Seriously Ill And Ear Affliction May Spread To Brain

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Copenhagen, December 22.—The Frankfurter Zeitung states that the ex-Empress of Germany will scarcely live to see the New Year. She is suffering from apoplexy and heart disease. The ex-Kaiser is also seriously ill. His ear disease has been aggravated and it is thought that it may spread to the brain.

Japanese Consul Objects To Hongkew Riot Report

Calls It Unsatisfactory And Creative Of False Impressions; Council Stands By Findings

A lengthy itemized protest by the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. A. Ariyoshi, to the Municipal Council's report on the Hongkew riots of last July is refuted practically item by item by the Council in correspondence between Mr. Ariyoshi and Mr. E. C. Pearce appearing in this week's Municipal Gazette.

Mr. Ariyoshi's letter, dated November 4, states that the Council's conclusions, together with certain statements appearing in the report, are "altogether unsatisfactory" to him and "tend to convey an entirely wrong impression regarding the various incidents in these regrettable disturbances."

Mr. Pearce's final reply, dated December 27, states that the Council has given very careful consideration to the Consul-General's views and, much as it is regretted that the conclusions and statements are unsatisfactory to Mr. Ariyoshi, the Council cannot concur with the view that they tend to create a wrong impression. On the contrary, the report is considered full, frank and fair, and it is maintained that its views and recommendations are just and that blame and commendation has been apportioned where due.

The Japanese Consul-General takes exception to and asks revision of the statements regarding the true cause of the disturbances; the manner in which the Japanese sailors from the cruiser Chiyoda were dealt with and the allegation that sailors in civilian clothes participated in the rioting; the disposition of the cases of two Japanese shop assistants alleged remanded without decision; the disposition of the cases of arrested Japanese civilians regarding whom the Council declares four were deported and six imprisoned for one month; the statement that the powers of the Consulate over Japanese subjects have been flouted; the report of the "orderly" association of Chinese constables at Hongkew Market; the statement that no responsibility rests on the Council to compensate the loss of life and property and the objection to the funeral expenses of the Japanese constable who was killed; the statement that a certain class of Japanese residents are a serious menace to peace and good order; the suspension of action in engaging further Japanese police; the inference that there was more behind the disturbances than the watch-shop incident; the statements regarding the request for the landing of Japanese marines; the translation of an article from the Shanghai Nippo; the statement regarding the tendency of the Japanese Consular Police to extend their functions to the usurpation of powers of the Municipal Police, and the inference that racial feeling entered into the disturbances.

Allies Taking Over Enemy Rolling Stock

3,500 Wagons And 200 Locomotives Being Surrendered As Armistice Demands

(French Wireless) Paris, December 28.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). The Germans have commenced to carry out the execution of the clauses of the armistice concerning the delivery of rolling-stock. In one day they delivered 3,500 wagons and 200 locomotives. Other deliveries will follow.

Cherbourg, December 28.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). The German submarines U. B. 94 and U-119, coming from Warwick, have entered the naval dockyard at Cherbourg.

HANGHAI TO HAVE OFFICE OF U.S. SHIPPING BOARD

Hurley Announces Plan To Form World Organisation, Including Far East

(American Wireless To Reuter)

Paris, December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—Edwin A. Hurley, chairman of the United States Shipping Board, announced today that the Board had decided to create a permanent world organization for the purpose of handling the government trade fleet with the greatest effectiveness. He said: "We will open immediately offices in London, Paris and Rome. From these centers we will direct twelve other offices, such as Shanghai, Yokohama, Bombay, Genoa, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Valparaiso, Rotterdam and Antwerp." Mr. Hurley explained that the main purpose of this organization would be to route the vessels most advantageously, providing quick turn-arounds.

GET WHITE STAR HOLDINGS

(Reuter's Agency War Service) New York, December 28.—It is confirmed that the Government has secured the British assets in the International Mercantile Marine, including the White Star and Leyland lines, at the price of £25,750,000.

ANXIETY FELT IN PARIS OVER COAL SHORTAGE

3,000 Tons Less Than Necessary Being Received Every Day

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 28.—Some anxiety is felt by the Paris municipal authorities regarding the coal supply. During the past month only 5,000 tons daily have been received instead of the requisite 8,000 tons and now only 29,000 tons are in stock in Paris. The Council has decided to make urgent representations to M. Clemenceau regarding the gravity of the situation and the necessity that immediate measures should be taken to relieve it.

LIEBKNECHT RULES IN KAISER'S PALACE; BATTLE IMPENDING

Hindenburg Is Reported Marching Troops To Berlin To Oust Soviets

ALLIES CONSENT?

Situation Is Obscure With Power Divided Between Two Groups

BOLSHEVIKISTONG

Outbreak Christmas Eve Results From Sailors' Objections Over Pay

(French Wireless) Paris, December 29.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). A message from Zurich to L'Information says:

The situation in Berlin is still very grave. The Ebert Government is still in power despite the manifesto issued by the Spartacus Party proclaiming the Government of Liebknecht, Ledebour and Eickhorn, who still hold the power in the streets. Exasperation against the Spartacus Party is growing among the moderate elements and the troops who have remained faithful to the Government and who want to avenge the death of their comrades but the Ebert Government is not able to take the responsibility for bloody reprisals. It wants to throw this responsibility on the shoulders of Hindenburg, who is sending an army corps to Berlin.

The mills and factories in Berlin shut their gates on Saturday. An encounter took place between a procession of several thousands of the government supporters and the supporters of the Spartacus Party, who, being well-armed, had the better of the conflict.

Berlin continues to be isolated from the rest of Germany. Liebknecht, who controls the telegraphs, is in constant touch with Moscow and Petrograd. Situation Is Critical

Zurich, December 28.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). The situation in Berlin is very critical. It is stated that the 'Peoples' Commissaries have handed in their resignation. The government which will replace them is composed exclusively of members of the Independent Left party and ten men who are supporters of Liebknecht. It is thought probable that it will not be possible to convocate the National Assembly and that the powers of government will be entirely in the hands of the Central Committee of the Councils of Workers and Soldiers.

General Lequis, the general commanding the Berlin district, has left for Wilhelmshro, for the purpose, it is said, of reaching an agreement with Marshal Hindenburg concerning the taking of common action against the members of the Spartacus Party.

The population of Berlin is very uneasy, having discovered that the Spartacus Group is well furnished with arms and munitions and also cannon.

Bourgeois Press Pessimistic

The bourgeois press looks on the situation with great pessimism.

The Berliner Tagblatt states that the government is too divided to do serious work. It says: "In the morning the vigorous elements are on top; in the evening they practise a policy of indulgence and lack of restraint, which results in throwing into disorder the machinery of government."

The Vossische Zeitung draws the following conclusion from the incidents of the last few days: "It is really right to ask oneself whether this state of affairs is going to continue any longer; if the Government is incapable of maintaining order, it must quit."

Liebknecht In Kaiser's Bed

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Amsterdam, December 27.—The situation in Berlin is clearly very unsettled. Though it is difficult to gauge the true situation it seems plain that the Bolsheviki elements have not abandoned their attempts to overthrow the Government. The latter

apparently feared to exert its authority and allowed matters to slide to the point of bloodshed, with the result that many of the Government troops have deserted to the ranks of the Bolsheviks.

Dr. Liebknecht, the leader of the Extreme Socialists, at present occupies the Kaiser's bedroom at the Palace, while the Kaiser's private diningroom is between with the corpses of sailors killed in the recent fighting and costly carpets are stained with blood. The authorities seem incapable of preventing hundreds of sailors and soldiers and men and women of the most doubtful character from overrunning the Palace.

It is reported from Switzerland that Marshal von Hindenburg, in command of loyal troops, is marching on Berlin with the consent of the Entente.

Heavy Fighting Around Castle
Amsterdam, December 24.—Heavy street fighting occurred in Berlin on the morning of December 24 round the Castle and royal stables, which a naval division occupied. The 3rd Cavalry Division bombarded the buildings and eventually the sailors withdrew, terms of retirement being arranged, leaving behind sixty-eight killed and wounded.

A message from Berlin states that two sailors guarding the Imperial Chancellery's residence yesterday informed Herr von Ebert and his staff that they had been ordered to allow no one to enter or leave the house, whereupon the telephone was cut. In consequence of Herr Ebert's strong protest, access to the house was finally allowed and telephonic communication was restored. Subsequently Berlin troops arrived to protect the building, whereupon, after long negotiations, the guard of sailors was induced to depart. The sailors' attitude is attributed to the Government's action in making the payment of sailors' wages conditional on their departure from the Castle, where extensive depredations have been committed.

Loyal Troops Defeated

The Vorwarts states that a large number of soldiers of the Berlin Guard, also a few Republican Guards and numerous armed civilians joined the sailors who with other supporters of the Spartacus Group made the Marstall building their headquarters. The loyal troops repeatedly attempted to take the building but were repulsed. The counter-revolutionaries now also hold Koennigstrasse and many other houses, and loyal troops are stationed in Unter den Linden and the Werdersee Platz. The Spartacus Group want to force the Republican Guard to return to Potsdam. As far as is known at present, the trouble originated from discontent of the sailors guarding various public buildings owing to their not being relieved. When ultimately soldiers relieved them, they refused to leave the city. Other discontented elements joined them, and the Spartacus supporters thought the occasion opportune for a coup d'etat.

Amsterdam, December 25.—The sailors at the Berlin headquarters have surrendered to the Government troops. London, December 25.—The situation in Berlin is obscure owing to the meagerness of news, but it is clear that there has been considerable street fighting. Some reports say that several parts of the city are more or less in the hands of sailors and soldiers, supported by the Spartacus Party. They demand that the Ebert-Haase Government shall be replaced by a Ledebour-Liebknecht Ministry. Herr Ledebour and Liebknecht conferred at length with the Ministers. The result was not disclosed. Further trouble is feared.

Pillars Of Palace Destroyed
Copenhagen, December 27.—A German semi-official account of Tuesday's happenings in Berlin states that some of the large pillars of the Palace were destroyed and the royal stables were heavily damaged during the violent artillery bombardment.

The Cabinet Council has decided immediately to withdraw all troops not belonging to the Berlin prison. The sailors will remain and other troops will be disbanded.

A semi-official despatch states that the events of Tuesday solely concerned the question of wages.

A message from Kiel states that the sailors and soldiers there have denounced the Berlin outbreak and assured the Government of their support.

Copenhagen, December 26.—Despatches from Berlin last night state that the situation is becoming serious for the Government. Further reinforcements and an increasing number of civilians have joined the sailors and Spartacus Party.

A message from Berlin shows that the counter-revolt subsided on Tuesday upon the arrival of Guard Divisions from Potsdam. These demonstrated in front of the sailors' headquarters, whereupon the sailors, it is alleged, opened fire and the Guards replied, doing heavy damage to the Palace, especially to the Kaiser's balcony, which was ruined.

Here Ledebour arrived in a motor car and delivered a speech, condemning the summoning of troops from Potsdam, characterising the proceeding as "fratricidal." He proposed that a commission should be appointed to

discuss a basis for the union of the sailors and soldiers. This was quickly done. The sailors meanwhile capitulated. Their officers, who were temporarily arrested, stated that when they fired they thought the Guard represented Royalist counter-revolutionaries.

Miners In Riot
Copenhagen, December 26.—A message from Duisburg states that, incited by supporters of the Spartacus Party thousands of miners at Neumuehl stormed the guardhouses and pits, seizing machine-guns and munitions. The Commissioner of Police and other officials were wounded.

Copenhagen, December 25.—Owing to the demand of the Berlin Socialists for the abolition of the rights of the Church, Herr Spahn, leader of the Catholic Centre Party, has appealed to all churches to join the Centre Party and oppose the Socialists.

Rantau Gives Views
Copenhagen, December 25.—Count Brockdorff Rantau, the new German Secretary for Foreign Affairs, interviewed by a representative of the Politiken, said that he did not cherish any illusion regarding the magnitude of the difficulties confronting the German Foreign Office, the most important problem being the foundation of a "peace of righteousness" based on President Wilson's principles. If such a peace is concluded successfully, Count Rantau is of opinion that the basis for a League of Nations will be established, for which he will strive to the uttermost with the German peoples' support.

Amsterdam, December 27.—A telegram from Berlin says that the British Admiralty has issued the following order to the German fleet: "Vessels sailing under the Red Flag will be sunk without warning, while vessels without officers will be dealt with according to war law. If any single man is caught propagating Bolshevik ideas, the entire crew of the vessel in question will be summarily shot."

London, December 27.—Reuters' Agency learns authoritatively that the statement emanating from Berlin regarding the British order to the German fleet is absolutely untrue.

INTER-ALLIED RAILWAY TO BLACK SEA PLANNED

Project Discussed At Tiffin In Paris Attended By Rumanian Statesman

(Reuters' Agency War Service)
Paris, December 28.—At an inter-Parliamentary luncheon in Paris yesterday, the Rumanian statesman, Take Jonescu, was the guest of honor. A project was discussed for the establishment of Inter-Allied railway connection from the Atlantic to the Black Sea.

FAMOUS E14'S SINKING IN DARDANELLES TOLD

British Submarine Caught And Sunk After Daring Trip Through Straits

(Reuters' Agency War Service)
London, December 24.—The finest of all tales of the achievements of British submarines during the war is now completed by the official story of the sinking of the famous submarine E14 in the Dardanelles early in 1918, with the loss of her new commander, Lieutenant-Commander Geoffrey White, and all except seven members of the crew.

E14 left Mudros on the evening of January 27 and proceeded up the Dardanelles to search for the Goeben. After diving under anti-submarine nets she found that the Goeben, which the enemy had removed a few hours previously, had gone so the commander turned back, keeping a sharp lookout for enemy craft. A torpedo was fired at a ship which, it transpired, contained the Goeben's ammunition, causing a heavy explosion which extinguished the submarine's lights and sprang the forehatch. Leaking badly, the submarine rose to within fifteen feet of the surface. The torpedoes immediately opened a heavy fire but did not hit her. She submerged to a depth of 150 feet and continued on her course, but she became unsteady and kept diving, so she was brought to the surface as she could no longer be relied upon under water and only three bottles of air were left.

A heavy fire was immediately opened from both sides of the Straits. A shell hit her hull just over the wardroom, destroying the upper steering gear. A survivor says: "Orders were given to steer from below and we ran the gauntlet for half an hour, only a few shots hitting us. The captain seeing that the situation was hopeless, ran towards the shore. His last words were: 'We are in the hands of God' and only a few seconds later I looked for him and saw his body, mangled by shell fire, roll into the water and go under. The last shell hit the starboard saddle tank, killing all in that neighborhood."

The submarine sank soon afterwards close to the shore and the Turks picked up the survivors.

Paci Concert Off

Signor Mario Paci, Italian pianist, who arrived by the Montecarlo, came here ill with influenza, which has necessitated his removal to hospital. He is progressing favorably, however, and expects to be out in a few days. The concert which was to have been given on Saturday is postponed until further notice.

568,000 Demobilised From American Army

500,000 Mustered Out From Home Camps And 68,000 Brought Back From Overseas

(American Wireless To Renter)
Washington, December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—The members of the House Military Committee were advised by the War Department today that 568,000 American soldiers had been returned from overseas up to December 21 and slightly more than 500,000 in the United States had been mustered out of the service.

ALLIES CONSIDERING NAVIGATION OF RHINE

Already Have Decided To Use Scheldt For Revictualing Nations

(French Wireless)
Paris, December 29.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). In the course of a debate on Saturday in the Chamber of Deputies concerning the budget, a deputy asked whether the Rhine could not be used for provisioning the Allies and the population along the banks of that river. M. Stephen Pichon, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, made the following statement: "Concerning the Rhine, Great General Headquarters is dealing with the question. The matter is in hand and a commission for the navigation of the Rhine has been named. Concerning the Scheldt, the question has been settled and arrangements have been made for the use of the mouth of the Scheldt and the port of Antwerp for revictualing the Allies."

ROYALTY AT GALA

(Reuters' Agency War Service)
London, December 25.—Queen Mary, Prince Henry and Prince George will visit the Albert Hall today on the occasion of the overseas officers' gala.

TWEED TO BE RELEASED FOR NEEDS OF CIVILIANS

Eighty Percent Of Output Requisitioned By Government In Last Six Months

(Reuters' Agency War Service)
London, December 25.—A Durbur message states that during the last six months the Government requisitioned eighty percent of the tweed output. There is now a possibility of a considerable release to tweeds for civilian requirements.

No School For Boys In Western District

Council Denies Petition And Urges Special Cars To North Szechuen Road

Because the Foreign Educational Committee of the Shanghai Municipal Council is of the opinion that co-education, even in separate classes, is inadvisable, a petition from 68 residents of the Western district, asking that the Municipal School in the Western district provide for boys' classes, has been denied, according to the Municipal Gazette.

The petition came from Mrs. L. M. Canning and others and is dated July 29. It points out that the Boys' School on North Szechuen Road is in many cases five miles from the homes of the students, and asserts that it is neither safe nor advisable for small boys to spend two hours daily on the tram cars.

The Council's reply states that a request has been made of the Shanghai Tramways to run special cars, fitted with doors to be kept shut while the tram is in motion. The Municipal body asks that these cars eliminate all possible stops.

The Council adds that financial reasons have prevented the building of a school on the Tifeng Road site purchased by the Council.

HUGE U.S. MAIL IN

The China Mail s.s. Nanking brought 1,167 sacks of mail for the United States Post Office yesterday, making 14 big motor truck loads in all. A large part of the shipment was parcel post matter and the big lot necessitated an overflow from Postmaster Everett's limited quarters. On account of the lack of space for opening and sorting it will probably be the end of the week before delivery of the parcel post matter is begun. The Nanking also brought mail for the Chinese and British Post Offices.

VENEZUELA IS DELAYED

The Pacific Mail liner Venezuela, due to leave Shanghai for Japan ports and San Francisco on January 3, has been delayed 15 days and will sail from this port January 18, according to cable advices received by the local agency of the Pacific Mail yesterday.

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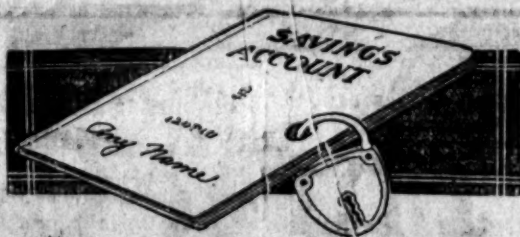
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Ezra Offers To Drop Suit If Merriman Apologises

Latter Rejects Proposal And Suggests Submitting Of
Action To Tribunal

Offer to withdraw the \$10,000 libel action instituted against Mr. W. L. Merriman by Mr. Judah I. Ezra following the baseball scandal, has been made by the plaintiff on the stipulation that the defendant withdraw his plea of privilege and publish a suitable retraction.

Mr. Merriman has replied with a counter-offer—to submit to a competent tribunal the issue of whether or not the conduct of the plaintiff, which is alleged as the basis of the defendant's charges, amounted to bribery.

The plaintiff's offer, as filed in the United States Court at Shanghai, by Mr. A. D. Gibbs, counsel for Mr. Ezra, and the reply, filed by Messrs. Jernigan, Pendergast and Rose, for the defendant, follow:

Comes now the undersigned on behalf of the plaintiff Judah I. Ezra and files for record and submission through the court to the defendant the following offer and the purpose of aid reasons for making it:

The plaintiff will dismiss his action against the defendant W. L. Merriman, will withdraw his plea of privilege and file for record and publication in the Shanghai press a suitable retraction of the accusations made by him against the plaintiff.

The purpose of this offer is to demonstrate to the court, to the defendant and his friends and to the Shanghai public that the plaintiff in bringing this action was and is actuated neither by avarice nor a spirit of revenge but solely by the hope of rehabilitating his former good name in the estimation of the fair minded citizens of Shanghai.

Defendant in the answer just filed by him makes no contention that his accusations are true but relies entirely upon the plea of privilege. According to the law of libel, by failing to allege the truth of such accusations, the defendant is held to admit that they are untrue. Under the defense of privilege he is limited to an attempt to excuse and relieve himself from the consequences of his unfounded accusations on the ground that he made them, as he contends, in good faith believing them to be true, in the performance of what he deemed to be his duty, upon alleged privileged occasions.

If this defense fails, as the undersigned insists it must, then the defendant will have to respond for all the damages suffered by the plaintiff.

The acceptance of this offer will relieve the defendant from all pecuniary responsibility and not only give to him all that he can hope to attain by the defense of privilege but furnish him an opportunity to frankly and honorably make amends for the wrong which he impliedly admits by his answer to have done the plaintiff.

For the reasons stated there can be no good motive for rejecting this offer and notice is therefore hereby given that if it is so rejected, counsel for plaintiff will at the close of the trial, introduce such evidence as will establish the truth of the charges and will ask the court to impose the heaviest damages.

This offer may be accepted on or before December 30th of this year after which it must be considered withdrawn.

By A. D. Gibbs,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Mr. Merriman's Answer.

Now comes the defendant herein and in answer to the plaintiff's offer to dismiss his action upon retraction of the charges of bribery complained of as libelous in his petition, says:

That he made such charges in good faith believing them to be true, after diligent and careful investigation, and without malice or prejudice toward the plaintiff, with whom he was at that time personally unacquainted, and actuated by no other motive than a desire to perform what he deemed to be his duty as the representative of the Shanghai Municipal Council on the Shanghai Recreation Ground Committee, as a member of the Shanghai Race Club, the Shanghai Amateur Baseball Club and as a member of the local community recognizing a civic duty and believing that conduct such as the plaintiff had been guilty of, whether it amounted to technical bribery or not, should not be permitted to pass without an accounting.

That upon examination of the plaintiff's petition the defendant discovered that of the one hundred and thirty six counts therein contained one hundred and twenty eight are absolutely without foundation in fact and although the plaintiff made oath that the facts in those counts stated were true, still defendant believes that the defendant was grossly and wilfully misinformed in regard thereto; that in regard to the other eight counts in the said petition contained the defendant fully and fairly stated to his attorneys all the facts, circumstances and evidence which he has in his knowledge and possession and from which he arrived at his conclusion that the plaintiff had been guilty of the charges which the defendant had made against the plaintiff and which the plaintiff complains of as libelous, and that the defendant's attorneys had given the opinion that, while the facts, circumstances and evidence above referred to were sufficient to warrant the formation of a bona fide and honest belief in the truth of the charges, the question of the truth of the charges would not be in issue in this action because all of the charges made by this defendant against the plaintiff had been made without malice, in the honest belief in their truth, under duties imposed upon him because of his connection with various organizations, herein before mentioned, and always upon privileged occasions and that the communications complained of were therefore neither slanderous nor libelous but privileged.

The defendant further states that if the plaintiff has formed the opinion that according to the law of libel the defendant by his plea of privilege in his answer contained admits that his charges were untrue and that "under the defense of privilege he is limited to an attempt to excuse and relieve

himself from the consequences of his unfounded accusations on the ground that he made them as he contends, in good faith believing them to be true, in the performance of what he deemed to be his duty, upon alleged privileged occasions" then plaintiff is mistaken for according to the law of libel in force in this jurisdiction by his plea of privilege the defendant does not admit the falsity of his charges but established that the charges made against the plaintiff were and are neither libelous nor slanderous because they were made without malice, in the honest belief that they were true, in the performance of his duty and upon privileged occasions.

The plaintiff in his offer to dismiss has stated that it is his purpose to "demonstrate to the court, to the defendant and his friends and to the Shanghai public that the plaintiff in bringing this action was and is actuated neither by avarice nor a spirit of revenge but solely by the hope of rehabilitating his former good name in the estimation of the fair minded citizens of Shanghai," and from the above the defendant understands that the sole object of the plaintiff in bringing this action was to obtain an opportunity of having an adjudication by a competent tribunal of the issue of whether or not he was, by his conduct, guilty of the technical legal charge of bribery and that since the plaintiff has not been able to place the defendant in a position where it is necessary for him to justify his charges by proving their truth and since by the plea of privilege the defendant has raised a question of law for the court and not a question of fact the plaintiff will not be permitted to introduce evidence of the falsity of the charge of bribery nor will the defendant be required to establish the truth of the charge, the defendant has failed in his "sole object" in bringing this action.

But the defendant is willing and ready to do what is in his power to assist the plaintiff in rehabilitating his former good name in the estimation of the fair minded citizens of Shanghai and suggests that the following course will accomplish the result, the obtaining of which the plaintiff says was his sole object in bringing this action: to wit, the adjudication by a competent tribunal of the exact issue of whether or not the conduct of the plaintiff which was the basis of the defendant's charges amounted to bribery.

First—The plaintiff to dismiss this action against the defendant, his sole object in bringing the same having failed; pay the defendant's expenses incurred thereby and enter into an undertaking that he will not bring another or further action against the defendant arising from the same cause or causes of action.

Second—Since the plaintiff is a British subject and his legal liability for his conduct must be determined according to the standards and under the rules and regulations prescribed by the laws of Great Britain in force and effect in this jurisdiction, and since for the reasons an adjudication by the court in which this action is brought would not be an adjudication by a tribunal established by the plaintiff's own government nor would the issue be determined under the laws to which the plaintiff is required to mould his conduct, therefore the defendant believes that the plaintiff could much more satisfactorily secure his sole object if the defendant should lay before the British Crown Advocate all the facts, circumstances and

evidence which he has in his possession and knowledge and which were the basis of the charges of which the plaintiff complains in order that he may take what action he sees fit and any action on his part would amount or lead to an adjudication of the question which the plaintiff so much desires.

MR. FLEMING WITHDRAWS
AS MR. KRISSEL'S COUNSEL

Quits In Startling Court Scene
On Defendant's Refusal To
Follow His Advice

Mr. W. S. Fleming, counsel for Mr. Alexander Krisel, against whom a disbarment action is proceeding in the United States Court for China, withdrew from the case yesterday morning when his client refused to abide by his advice during a rehearing in the matter.

The difference between counsel and client arose when Mr. Krisel insisted upon taking the stand to make a statement. Mr. Fleming stated that if Mr. Krisel proceeded against his advice he would withdraw and, when the respondent persisted, asked the court to note his withdrawal. The statement which Mr. Krisel made had to do with the re-hearing, which latter was the result of an amendment to a petition made by Mr. R. T. Bryan, special assistant United States Attorney, last week and necessitating the hearing of a further witness.

Mr. Krisel said that he had not been present when his counsel consented to the re-opening of the case and had objected when he heard of it. He said he felt he had permitted Mr. Fleming to conduct the case against his wishes. He appreciated what Mr. Fleming had done for him in the case and regretted that he had withdrawn. Respondent then asked again to make a statement. The court ruled that he might offer testimony in the usual way and said that if there was no further testimony the case was closed. Mr. Krisel said he would like to examine Mr. W. C. Sprague, a witness who had already been dismissed. The court held that the witness had already been dismissed with respondent's knowledge and in his presence.

Judge Lebingier in sustaining one of Mr. Bryan's objections stated that Mr. Fleming was entitled to

the thanks of the court with regard to his conduct of the case throughout, and he was also entitled to the thanks of the respondent for the able manner in which he had represented him. Judge Lebingier went on to state that there could be no criticism of Mr. Fleming in connection with the amendment to the petition. He had done his simple duty as an attorney in the case.

Mr. Sprague's testimony was with regard to a conversation between Mr. Krisel and himself and further testimony was given by Det. Sergt. Woodfield, who corrected a statement to the effect that Mr. Bryan had threatened him. He had been laboring under a misapprehension.

The court requested briefs filed in the case.

WILL LAUNCH CAMPAIGN
FOR AMERICAN SCHOOL

Committee Named To Collect
Fund For Land For New
Institution

The movement is definitely afoot for the building of a new and adequate American school for Shanghai. The need for a larger and better equipped educational institution has been sorely felt during the past year or more with the growth of the local American community and the work of students and faculty in the present buildings on North Szechuen Road Extension has been greatly handicapped.

A campaign for funds for the purchase of land on which to erect a suitable school building will be launched on February 22, Washington's Birthday. A committee has been organized to handle the campaign and preliminary plans are being laid. United States Consul-General Thomas Sammons has been named as honorary chairman of this body. Mr. W. C. Sprague is chairman and Mr. J. H. Dollar and Mr. Stewart Elliott have been appointed vice-chairmen. The Rev. R. H. Caldwell is treasurer. Mr. W. S. Fleming is chairman of the publicity sub-committee and Mr. A. B. Rosenfeld is chairman of the subscription sub-committee.

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Sailors Here On Nanking Are Royally Entertained

American And British Bluejackets Enjoy Tiffin, Trip
Through Chinese City And Supper And Dance

American and British sailors, arriving here on the China Mail Steamship Company liner Nanking yesterday, will enjoy an excursion to Soochow today after having been entertained here yesterday with a tiffin, sight-seeing trip through the Chinese City and a supper and dance at the Town Hall.

The entertainment is under the direction of the Navy Y.M.C.A., which is today soliciting funds for expenses. A plea for money was sounded last night and Americans particularly are expected to be liberal today. Checks may be sent to the Navy Y.M.C.A. on Nanking Road, or to Mr. George Fitch, at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The sailors will leave for Soochow this morning at 9:10 o'clock from Shanghai North Station. Mr. N. A. Viloudaki, who piloted them through the Chinese City yesterday afternoon, will act as the guide today and he will be aided by several Y.M.C.A. men and local civilians interested. Lunch will be taken along and will be eaten at a Soochow tea house and the men will return to Shanghai on the train leaving Soochow about four o'clock.

They arrived here yesterday after 43 days' quarantine at Goat Island because of the influenza epidemic and were very willing to take a little recreation after the quarantine and the long trip across the Pacific.

Navy Y.M.C.A. men met them at the boat, they made their headquarters at the Navy Y.M.C.A. until tiffin and then enjoyed the tiffin at the Carlton. Here they were addressed by Mr. Sammons and by Mr. C. M. Bishop. After tiffin came the starting of the residents of the Chinese City and the supper and dance followed in the evening.

Salad, turkey, roast beef, sandwiches, rolls, cakes, candies and peanuts comprised the buffet lunch at the Town Hall prepared and served by members of the American Woman's Club, assisted by several British ladies.

An entertainment followed, Miss McConnell, Mr. Glenby, Mr. Perry contributing the local entertainment numbers and Messrs. Morrison and Buckley representing the sailors.

Mrs. W. H. Lunt, president of the American Woman's Club, welcomed the men. She expressed the pleasure that the American and British women had in entertaining them and wished them a Happy New Year. They responded with cheers for Mrs. Lunt, Shanghai and the American Woman's Club.

The Municipal Band played for the dancing that lasted until 10:30 o'clock when the men were ordered aboard the Nanking.

The hall was secured through the efforts of Mr. D. McColl, of the Shanghai Tramways, who postponed the decorations for the Scottish Ball tonight in order that the sailors might have a good time.

Among those attending the dance were United States Consul-General Thomas Sammons, Judge Charles S. Lobingier, of the United States Court for China, and Mrs. Lobingier, chairman Pearce of the Municipal Council, Lady Fraser, wife of the Consul-General for Great Britain, and Mr. A. G. Stephen, President of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Over 200 Shanghai ladies were present.

For two hours yesterday afternoon

the Chinese City stood on its hind legs and screamed while 350 sailors—300 sailors and 50 British jackies—tramped through the narrow streets trying to figure the intricacies of a Chinese city. They marveled, wondered and ejaculated "Good Night!" no less than 14,567 times and then gave it up. They saw temples, gardens, halls of ancestral worship and heard a Chinese Theater in full scream.

"Why don't they make some noise?" queried a sailor from Utah.

The sailors started from the Carlton after tiffin and saw everything to be seen. Down Fzechuen Road, across Rue Montauban and into the Chinese City they went. As a crowd of coolies were tugging a heavy load of cotton bales down Fzechuen Road, a sailor from Omaha, Nebraska, confided to the reporter that "a fellow could make a fortune out here selling horses."

"Japan cocked my pistol but this seems to be a regular burg," said one sailor as the group marched through Frenchtown. Two minutes after he hit the narrow streets of the Chinese City, the same sailor insisted on retracing the statement.

Business was suspended and all the Chinese came out to see the happy crew so rollicking through the city singing and whistling. The coolies stopped work and the shopkeepers stopped selling. All wanted to see the trim sailors with the funny hats.

When they crossed the bridge to the Willow Pattern tea-house a sailor from Chicago, the son of a bank president until war was declared, figured "that he saw that somewhere before." He afterwards admitted that he had seen the pattern in his own home. Incidentally he was seeing the sights with a first-class seaman who formerly "drove a team" for the American Express Company in Los Angeles.

Some thought that Pei Zong-tze's ancestral hall, which is only about 500 years old, "should be repaired while another didn't believe "that a white man could build a shack like that."

"That temple hit me right on the nose," a lad from Butte, Montana, as one from Texas was lighting his cigarette from a candle burning before a great bronze Buddha, and when Mr. Viloudaki explained that a screen was placed in front of the door of a house to keep out the devils, several gobs figured that if the devil had any sense, he would go.

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DESCRIBES ALLIES' VISIT TO GERMAN SEA BASES

Naval Commission Made Dramatic Trip Through Kiel Canal; Saw Zeppelin Stations

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 27.—The Press Bureau has issued an account of the Allied Naval Commission's work in German waters.

The commission was headed by Vice-Admiral Sir Montague Browning and included distinguished American, French, Japanese and Italian naval officers, assisted by notable British and American technical experts. The commission left the Fifth of Fort on December 3 on board H.M.S. Hercules, escorted by four destroyers. The following day they passed a mixed lot of German ships going to Scapa Flow to make up the shortage in the agreed delivery. These included the battleship Koenig, the light cruiser Dresden, two Norddeutscher Lloyd transports and a destroyer. The commission was met at an appointed spot by a German commission, headed by Rear-Admiral Goette and including Captain von Mueller, commander of the first Emden, which was beaten by the Sydney.

The commission devoted itself to various tasks. A sub-commission was delegated to inspect the German warships. They found all in a filthy condition and discipline was at a low ebb so much so in the latter case that the British officer in charge found it necessary reluctantly to warn a sailor. Other sub-commissions inspected airship and seaplane stations, and in the course of frequent journeys far inland came to the conclusion that the representations that the people urgently needed food and clothes were nothing like as justifiable as the authorities were seeking to impress upon the Allies. Agricultural conditions were obviously very favorable.

A sub-commission visited North Sea Zeppelin stations, whence all raiders in England started. Here they saw the famous L-14, which visited England twenty-four times. A memorable occasion was the passage through the Kiel Canal of H. M. S. Hercules, the first British warship ever to do so. In the course of her passage, the Hercules was warmly greeted by British prisoners of war on the banks of the canal. The great experimental air station at Warnemunde was visited under German protest.

The submarine commission discovered scores of U-boats, mostly nearing completion, which up to then had not been declared by the Germans, and arrangements were made to take them over notwithstanding the strong protests of Rear-Admiral von Goette.

CHRISTMAS IN LONDON

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 25.—A feature of the Christmas Day celebrations was the lavish entertainment of overseas troops culminating in an entertainment at the Albert Hall, where the Queen was received with a thunderous ovation. The King and Queen attended service at Westminster Abbey where the Dean delivered a stirring sermon, in which he recalled how the old Abbey had trembled under the bursting of bombs and the roar of guns. But it was not touched and its immensity was symbolic of the preservation of the Empire. London, December 24.—The Christmas rush exceeded all expectations, the markets were stormed by the crowds, turkeys were unobtainable, the shopping districts in the West End were impassable and the restaurants and tea-shops were obliged to close their doors.

Enemy Phone Matter Ruled On By Council

Municipal Body Holds British Regulation Is No Breach Of Agreement

Protest to the Municipal Council because of the discontinuance of telephone service to an enemy firm has been overruled by the Municipal body, according to correspondence published in the Municipal Gazette. The protest was made by Mr. P. Westendorff for Garrels, Borner and Co. on November 12, after the British General License order went into effect here. The writer held that as shareholders of the Telephone Co. and as ratepayers in the International Settlement they were entitled to a telephone under the terms of the Articles of Association and of the Municipal franchise enjoyed by the Company. The Council replied that since the Telephone Company is a British company, discontinuance of the telephone did not involve any breach of the company's agreement which the Council made in 1908, the circumstances being such as to constitute an "unavoidable cause" within the meaning of clause 14 of the agreement. Garrels, Borner and Co. replied with a protest to the ruling and the request that the correspondence be



Repatriated Prisoners Are Given Extra Leave

Those Captured Before 1916 Will Have Sixty Days, Others Thirty

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 26.—Leave for repatriated French prisoners captured before 1916 will be sixty days while for others it will be forty-five days. The previous uniform period of leave was thirty days.

RELATIONS IMPROVED BY FRANCE AND SPAIN

Both Romanones and Pichon Express Themselves As Satisfied With Negotiations

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 26.—Count Romanones, after his return to Madrid from Paris, said that he had reason to be pleased with his exchange of views with the Allied representatives and a foundation had been laid for work on which the future of Spain depended.

Paris, December 27.—Mr. Pichon, Minister of Foreign Affairs, stated with regard to the visit to Paris of Count Romanones, the Spanish Premier, that he was convinced that the two men had presented the realization of close political friendship between France and Spain, but now such friendship can, and must, be resumed.

GERMANY STIRRING UP FEELING IN HOLLAND

Seeks To Capitalise Reports Of Belgian Demand For Dutch Limburg

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Amsterdam, December 24.—The Premier, interviewed by Reuter's representative, declared that the revolutionary movement in Holland at present is dead but it is impossible to say that it will not be resurrected. Brussels, December 25.—A prominent inhabitant of Dutch Limburg describes that present agitation as quite artificial, emanating from Dutch Germanophile circles, which are disturbed by pro-Belgian manifestations in the districts formerly torn from Belgium in 1839. Germany, realising that Holland might demand the rich coal bearing Prussian borderland of the Province of Guelders as compensation for the loss of Limburg, is consequently stirring up the Dutch to the utmost against the Allies.

TEA IMPORT REGULATIONS

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 22.—The Indian Tea Association announces that the Ministry of Food has arranged that licences be freely issued for the private import of tea, provided no portion of such tea is sold for home consumption and at least fifty percent of importations are offered to the Ministry of Food. Subject to grades f.o.b. prices will be as follows:

Indian and Ceylon tea, equivalent to present contract prices. Java, Sumatra and Mysalaland tea, analogous to Indian contract prices. The prices of China and Formosa tea will be determined by the Ministry of Food in consultation with the trade, within the limits of eight pence for fair common leaf to two shillings for the finest tea. Tea which is not taken by the Ministry of Food will be free for re-export. Quantities of tea at present available for re-exportation to blockaded countries are very small.

FLOODS IN FRANCE

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 27.—Inundations have occurred at many places in France. At Chalon-sur-Saone the waters of the River Saone are rising at the rate of one inch an hour, and some villages are already flooded.

CONSULT ON REBUILDING FACTORIES IN WAR ZONE

French And Belgian Authorities To Take Joint Action On Frontier Industries

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Paris, December 27.—M. Loucheur, Minister of Industrial Reconstruction, has returned to Paris from Brussels, where he has been in connection with the question of joint Franco-Belgian action in the matter of reconstructing factories in districts along the Belgian frontier. Complete agreement has been reached regarding the measures to be adopted.

GERMAN-AUSTRIA DESIRES ASSISTANCE FROM ALLIES

Loan Necessary If State Is To Exist, Says President Of Assembly

(Reuter's Agency War Service) Vienna, December 26.—Herr Carl Zeitz, Social Democratic President of the National Assembly of German-Austria, interviewed by Reuter's correspondent, declared that German-Austria was not able to exist alone. She was geographically and nationally united with South Germany and was dependent on Germany for coal and capital for her restoration. German-Austria, he added, was faced with the greatest difficulties as regards food, raw materials and finance and that it was hardly possible to maintain the State economically without a loan from the Entente Powers.

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French Press Predicts Admission Of Germany When Debts Are Discharged

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American And British Bluejackets Enjoy Tiffin, Trip
Through Chinese City And Supper And Dance

American and British sailors, arriving here on the China Mail Steamship Company liner Nanking yesterday, will enjoy an excursion to Soochow today after having been entertained here yesterday with a tiffin, sight-seeing trip through the Chinese City and a supper and dance at the Town Hall.

The entertainment is under the direction of the Navy Y.M.C.A., which is today soliciting funds for expenses. A plea for money was sounded last night and Americans particularly are expected to be liberal today. Checks may be sent to the Navy Y.M.C.A. on Nanking Road or to Mr. George Fitch, at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.

The sailors will leave for Soochow this morning at 9:10 o'clock from Shanghai North Station. Mr. N. A. Viloudaki, who piloted them through the Chinese City yesterday afternoon, will act as the guide today and he will be aided by several Y.M.C.A. men and local civilians interested. Lunch will be taken along and will be eaten at a Soochow tea house and the men will return to Shanghai on the train leaving Soochow about four o'clock.

They arrived here yesterday after 63 days' quarantine at Goat Island because of the influenza epidemic and were very willing to take a little recreation after the quarantine and the long trip across the Pacific. Navy Y.M.C.A. men met them at the boat, they made their headquarters at the Navy Y.M.C.A. until tiffin and then enjoyed the tiffin at the Carlton. Here they were addressed by Mr. Sammons and by Mr. C. M. Bishop. After tiffin came the starting of the residents of the Chinese City and the supper and dance followed in the evening.

Salad, turkey, roast beef, sandwiches, rolls, cakes, candies and peanuts comprised the buffet lunch at the Town Hall prepared and served by members of the American Woman's Club, assisted by several British ladies.

An entertainment followed. Miss McConnell, Mr. Glemby, Mr. Perry contributing the local entertainment numbers and Messrs. Morrison and Buckley representing the sailors. Mrs. W. H. Lunt, president of the American Woman's Club, welcomed the men. She expressed the pleasure that the American and British women had in entertaining them and wished them a Happy New Year. They responded with cheers for Mrs. Lunt, Shanghai and the American Woman's Club.

The Municipal Band played for the dancing that lasted until 10:20 o'clock when the men were ordered aboard the Nanking.

The hall was secured through the efforts of Mr. D. McColl, of the Shanghai Tramways, who postponed the decorations for the Scottish Ball tonight in order that the sailors might have a good time. Among those attending the dance were United States Consul-General Thomas Sammons, Judge Charles S. Lobingier, of the United States Court for China, and Mrs. Lobingier, chairman Pearce of the Municipal Council, Lady Fraser, wife of the Consul-General for Great Britain, and Mr. A. G. Stephen, President of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Over 200 Shanghai ladies were present.

For two hours yesterday afternoon

the Chinese City stood on its hind legs and screamed while 250 sailors—200 rows and 50 British jackies—tramped through the narrow streets trying to figure the intricacies of a Chinese city. They marveled, wondered and ejaculated "Good Night!" no less than 14,567 times and then gave it up. They saw temples, gardens, halls of ancestral worship and heard a Chinese Theater in full scream.

"Why don't they make some noise?" queried a sailor from Utah. The sailors started from the Carlton after tiffin and saw everything to be seen. Down Szechuen Road, across the Montanban and into the Chinese City they went. As a crowd of coolies were tagging a heavy load of cotton bales down Szechuen Road, a sailor from Omaha, Nebraska, confided to the reporter that "a fellow could make a fortune out here selling horses."

"Japan cocked my pistol but this seems to be a regular burg," said one sailor as the group marched through Frenchtown. Two minutes after he hit the narrow streets of the Chinese City, the same sailor insisted on retracing the statement.

Business was suspended and all the Chinese came out to see the happy crew go rollicking through the city singing and whistling. The coolies stopped work and the shopkeepers stopped selling. All wanted to see the trim sailors with the funny hats.

When they crossed the bridge to the Willow Pattern teahouse a sailor from Chicago, the son of a bank president until war was declared, figured "that he saw that somewhere before." He afterwards admitted that he had seen the pattern in his own home. Incidentally he was seeing the sights with a first-class seaman who formerly "drove a team" for the American Express Company in Los Angeles.

Some thought that Pei Zong-tze's ancestral hall, which is only about 500 years old, "should be repaired" while another didn't believe "that a white man could build a shack like that."

"That temple hit me right on the nose," thought a lad from Butte, Montana, as one from Texas was lighting his cigarette from a candle burning before a great bronze Buddha. And when Mr. Viloudaki explained that a screen was placed in front of the door of a house to keep out the devils, several gobs figured that if the "devil" had any sense, he would go a-

periscope and see what's doing in there anyway." "Just like a big alley in New Orleans," drawled one in a deep Southern dialect. Another "didn't know there were so many Chinese in the world," while several remarked that there were very few laundries in sight. "Wait till I get a light off this Roman candle," another future admiral pulled as he lit a cigarette from the circular piece of punk used by the Chinese.

All figured that "the U.S.A. is a pretty good place" after tramping through the city and out into the Boulevard de Deux Republiques. From there they walked to Pukhsien Cemetery and thence to the Race Course.

"Here is our Recreation Ground where all sorts of games are played," announced the guide.

"Any baseball?" asked a gob. "Yes," answered the guide, "and lawn bowls—and cricket."

"What the hell are they?" interjected a 19-year-old resident of Salt Lake City. "The men with their guides then returned to the Navy Y.M.C.A. while traffic stopped and windows thronged with people all along Nanking Road.

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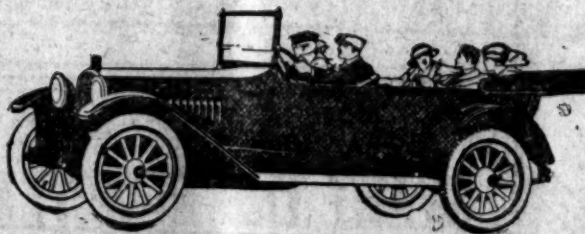
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The commission was headed by Vice-Admiral Sir Montague Browning and included distinguished American, French, Japanese and Italian naval officers, assisted by notable British and American technical experts. The commission left the Fifth of Fort on December 3 on board H.M.S. Hercules, escorted by four destroyers. The following day they passed a mixed lot of German ships going to Scapa Flow to make up the shortage in the agreed delivery. These included the battleship Koenig, the light cruiser Dresden, two Norddeutscher Lloyd transports and a destroyer. The commission was met at an appointed spot by a German commission, headed by Rear-Admiral Goette and including Captain von Mueller, commander of the first Flotilla, which was "beaten by the Sydney."

The commission devoted itself to various tasks. A sub-commission was delegated to inspect the German warships. They found all in a filthy condition and discipline was at a low ebb so much so in the latter case that the British officer in charge found it necessary reluctantly to warn a sailor. Other sub-commissions inspected airship and seaplane stations, and in the course of frequent "journeying" far inland came to the conclusion that the representations that the people urgently needed food and clothes were nothing like as justifiable as the authorities were seeking to impress upon the Allies. Agricultural conditions were obviously very favorable. A sub-commission visited Norddeutscher seaplane station, whence all raiders of England started. Here they saw the famous L-14, which visited England twenty-four times. A memorable occasion was the passage through the Kiel Canal of H. M. S. Hercules, the first British warship ever to do so. In the course of her passage the Hercules was warmly greeted by British prisoners of war on the banks of the canal. The great experimental air station at Warnemunde was visited under German protest.

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London, December 25.—A feature of the Christmas Day celebrations was the lavish entertainment of overseas troops culminating in an entertainment at the Albert Hall, where the Queen was received with a thunderous ovation. The King and Queen attended service at Westminster Abbey where the Dean delivered a stirring sermon, in which he recalled how the old Abbey had trembled under the bursting of bombs and the roar of guns. But it was not touched and its immunity was symbolic of the preservation of the Empire.

London, December 24.—The Christmas rush exceeded all expectations, the markets were stormed by the crowds, turkeys were unobtainable, the shopping districts in the West End were impassable and the restaurants and tea-shops were obliged to close their doors.

Enemy Phone Matter Ruled On By Council

Municipal Body Holds British Regulation Is No Breach Of Agreement

Protest to the Municipal Council because of the discontinuance of telephone service to an enemy firm has been overruled by the Municipal body, according to correspondence published in the Municipal Gazette. The protest was made by Mr. P. Westendorff for Garrels, Borner and Co. on November 12, after the British General License order went into effect here. The writer held that as shareholders of the Telephone Co. and as ratepayers in the International Settlement they were entitled to a telephone under the terms of the Articles of Association and of the Municipal franchise enjoyed by the Company. The Council replied that since the Telephone Company is a British company disconnection of the telephone did not involve any breach of the company's agreement which the Council made in 1908, the circumstances being such as to constitute an "unavoidable cause" within the meaning of clause 14 of the agreement.

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Paris, December 25.—Count Romanones, after his return to Madrid from Paris, said that he had reason to be pleased with the exchange of views with the Allied representatives and a foundation had been laid for work on which the future of Spain depended.

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GERMANY STIRRING UP FEELING IN HOLLAND

Seeks To Capitalise Reports Of Belgian Demand For Dutch Limburg

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Amsterdam, December 24.—The Premier, interviewed by Reuter's representative, declared that the revolutionary movement in Holland at present is dead but it is impossible to say that it will not be resurrected. Brussels, December 25.—A prominent inhabitant of Dutch Limburg describes that present agitation as quite artificial, emanating from Dutch Germanophile circles, which are disturbed by pro-Belgian manifestations in the districts formerly torn from Belgium in 1839. Germany, realising that Holland might demand the rich coal bearing Prussian borderland of the Province of Guelders as compensation for the loss of Limburg, is consequently stirring up the Dutch to the utmost against the Allies.

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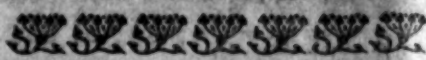


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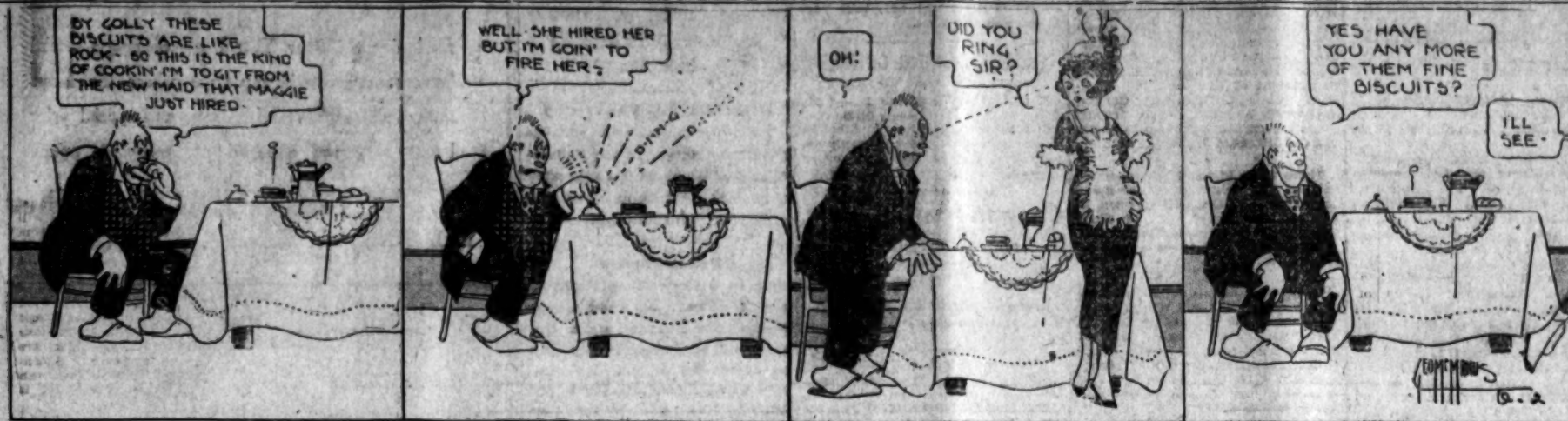
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What makes a steel or concrete vessel float? Of course, everybody knows that they float, but I am sure that, like myself, there are many who do not know why they float.

L. M. A.

The great fault of our system of

education is its failure to implant fundamental ideas. School pupils are given chiefly fragments of information instead of the keys of knowledge. I doubt whether there is a teacher in the United States who ever thought of explaining to his scholars why any kind of a ship floats. That seems to

be regarded as something which explains itself; everybody can see that ships do float, the fact is established, then why waste words about it? Curiosity's Toll

Yet it is by inquiring into the reasons of the simplest things that science makes its advances. Probably the reason why such explanations as that suggested above are not given to school children is because the children never ask for them. But it is precisely one of the most important of the teacher's duties to make children ask questions and to suggest questions to their minds, for the deepest ignorance is that which is due to indifference and lack of thought.

Suppose that Newton when hit on the head by the falling apple had not asked himself why it fell, but had been content, like everybody around him, to take the fall of the apple as a fact of nature, a way she had that needed no explanation. But Newton's mind leaped from the falling apple to the moon circling in the sky, to the earth traveling round the sun, to the comets coming in and going out of the solar system, to the distant stars obeying a common law, and in satisfying his intellectual curiosity he enlightened the human race.

I call this high witness to the utility of seeking the causes and the reasons of the commonest phenomena. And now, to go back to the question, why does a steel or a concrete vessel float? The question itself points out the source of the puzzle in the asker's mind. He does not wonder why a wooden ship floats, for that appears too simple a matter to need explanation. "It floats," he would probably say, "because it is lighter than water, of course. I can see that; but steel and concrete are heavier than water, then why don't such ships sink?"

Pertinent Facts
Now, stop a moment and analyze that statement. Precisely what is at the back of your mind when you say that a ship floats because it is lighter than water? Evidently you are thinking of the comparative weight of the material of which the ship is composed, and knowing that wood will float you are not surprised that a vessel made of such material should likewise float; but when you turn to steel or concrete, knowing that those materials will not float, you are puzzled to understand why a vessel made of them nevertheless does float.

In other words you ascribe the buoyancy of the ship solely to the buoyant property of its constituent material.

But in so doing you are making a very great mistake. The true reason why a ship floats is not because it is made of a material intrinsically lighter than water, but because it is made in such a form that, taken as a whole, it is lighter than a quantity of water equal to its entire bulk or volume would be. Even a wooden ship is not intrinsically lighter than water, for if it were it could defy leaks.

Its planks and beams and spars will float separately, but when they are combined into one structure with the iron and other metal needed in making a ship, and when the necessary ballast is put in, together with the other contents, the whole thing would go to the bottom, but for the peculiar shape given to the hull, viz. that of a hollow vessel, which shape enables it to enclose a great deal larger space than a quantity of water having a weight equal to the entire weight of the ship would occupy.

But when the hollow interior of the ship is filled with water the quantity of water displaced by its solid parts, which alone give it weight, is not sufficient to equal the combined weight of those parts, and so the ship sinks.

By giving it a proper shape you can make anything float. An iron pot, if made so large that the weight of metal in it is less than the weight of a volume of water equal in size or bulk to the hollow pot, will float as long as its interior is not invaded by the water. But put the same quantity of iron into a ball and it plunges straight to the bottom, because now its weight is concentrated within a cubic space less than that which would be occupied by an equal weight of water. It is no more difficult to cause a ship whose walls are composed of reinforced concrete, or of iron or steel, to float than to cause a wooden-walled ship to float, provided only that you make the hollow interior large enough in proportion to the total weight of the material.

Women And Aviation
A Future For Women Flyers
ComingBy Gertrude Bacon,
(The well-known aviator writing in the London Daily Chronicle)

Is there a future for women after the war in this wonderful new world of aviation that is already beginning to open out before us? Most assuredly there is.

Woman has so triumphantly invaded the ancient walks of life from which she has immemorially been considered debarred that there is no doubt whatever she will tread this new path of progress for which, in several ways, she is peculiarly fitted. It requires less nerve to steer an aeroplane across the sky than to drive a motor ambulance of shattered men along the shell-smitten roads of France; less strength than to pilot a tram car; less technical ability than to manage many a munition engine.

The risk is less than the hospital nurse runs daily and as to sheer

pluck what is there half as awe-inspiring about the cosy little seat of a flying machine as, say, the grim, straight benches of the Mother of Parliaments?

Only the restrictions of war have kept women of the from a vocation in which they are destined to excel. Even in the short five years that aviation had known before the Great Shadow fell—years during which the new art was but struggling into existence—we can recall the names of a dozen women who flew daringly, and a score of others who, if they did not manage their machines themselves, yet ranked as pioneers in the new work. No War Time Flying

Women may not fly in war time, for women must not fight. This is the last ditch of convention to which our males firmly cling. Many a female heart beat high with eager longing, some months ago, when rumor said that women pilots were to be trained for the Royal Flying Corps; and bitter was the disappointment when the veto was placed on this promising scheme.

"May we not even fly the machines in England, or over the Channel to the men in France?" pleaded the girls.

"No," said their fathers, husbands, brothers (even their sons). "Because you might meet a Hun on the way and then you would have to fight." And that settled it, though the women murmured to themselves, "Yes, and we could do that, too—if necessary."

So women may not fly fighting aeroplanes, nor shall we expect them to pilot the huge craft of the cross-Channel service that will start the moment the war is over; though, certainly, they will be among the earliest passengers. Has not a woman herself set the fashion? But as pilot of aeroplanes—the everyday sporting, family and commercial vehicles of the immediate future—a great career is before them.

Modern events have proved beyond question that woman is not lacking in nerve when compared with man, and in one essential qualification for a successful pilot she may prove superior—the possession of "hands." "Hands" mark the successful aviator: the light yet firm grasp, the sensitive, delicate touch that feels the controls even as the rider's hands feel his horse's mouth. The aerodrome instructor will tell you all about "hands," and, how, for his pupil, he prefers the cavalryman, or the youth who has been accustomed to ride. In the management of horse women have ever been successful, and lightness and delicacy of touch is pre-eminently a woman's gift.

First Woman In A 'Plane
Even as Belgium's Queen has been the first royal lady to fly, a Belgian lady, I believe, some ten

years ago, was the first woman to go aloft in an aeroplane. At least she was the first in Europe, for the American Wright brothers took their sister and other fair compatriots into the air in the very early days of flight. Mrs. Cody was the first lady to fly in England, and I who, in the same week, was taken up by Sommer, the French aviator, at the great Rheims aviation meeting of August, 1910, imagine myself to be the first English woman, for Cody was then still an American subject.

Many have been my aerial experiences since that never-to-be-forgotten evening on the darkening moonlight when I scrambled into my perch—there was no seat—between Sommer's back and the radiator. All kinds of machines and adventures have I tried, but nothing, even the upside-down sensation (it can hardly be described as a "thrill") of looping the loop, can ever come up to the delight of those few delicious minutes in the morning, under the full moon, when first I felt the rapture which is flight.

It is my firm belief that there is something in woman's nature to which the swift buoyancy of the rushing aeroplane, the incomparable beauty, space and freedom of the upper air, make irresistible appeal, greater even than they make to men. David sighed for the wings of a dove, but I will stake my life that Eve wished for them first! And because of this very yearning of theirs, if for no other reason, women take to the air as ducks to water.

Fee Saved

Doctor Abernethy, the well-known Scottish surgeon, was a man of few words, but he once met his match—in a woman. She called at his house in Edinburgh and showed a hand badly inflamed and swollen, and the following dialogue, opened by the Doctor, took place—"Burn?" "Drude." "Poultice." The next day the woman called again, and the dialogue was as follows—"Better?" "Worse." "More poultices." Two days later the woman made another call, and this conversation occurred—"Better?" "Well, Fee?" "Nothing," exclaimed the Doctor. "Most sensible woman I ever met!"

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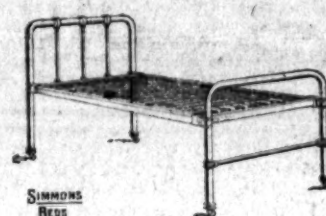
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Allies Won't Intervene In Russia, Paris Indicates

Inspired Articles Say Sentiment Is Opposed; Bolsheviks Make New Peace Overtures

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
Paris, December 24.—The French press, in apparently inspired articles on the Russian situation, lays stress on the fact that the Allies do not cherish the least desire further to intervene militarily.

Le Matin states that it has grounds for saying that it is Great Britain and her Allies firm intention to support any Government in Russia acting in conformity with the people's will and its international obligations. Any attempt to substitute a Government by the Allies for that of the Russians themselves, it says, greatly deprecated by the Allied Governments. It is believed that the existing disorder in Russia is only temporary and the hope is expressed that the Russians themselves will rally together all patriotic and order-loving elements.

In the meantime, says Le Petit Journal, the Allies have established a regular "cordon sanitaire" round the regions dominated by the Bolsheviks. To do more and organize a great expedition would be an extremely difficult and delicate task and the French Government cannot contemplate such an expedition. The newspapers emphasize the suffering which would be imposed on the soldiers and the material difficulties which would attend such an expedition, the utility of which is at least doubtful.

The articles quoted breathe every sympathy for Russia and indicate the Allies' strong desire to help the Russian statesmen who are now in Paris. These yesterday held an important conference at the Russian Embassy, at which ex-Premier Prince Lvoff and the present and former Russian Ambassadors at Paris, Rome, Washington and Madrid participated, with the object of finding some common ground with the Allies.

Allies Needed, Is Archangel's View

Archangel, December 24.—With regard to Lord Milner's letter regarding the North Russian Expedition, it is necessary to point out that the prospects of any Russian force itself overcoming the Bolsheviks in the near future are extremely doubtful. Assertions to the contrary are misleading. The Allied detachments are the only safeguard against the Bolshevik forces, which are well supplied and include good fighting material. Moreover the Bolsheviks have partisans in the districts occupied by the Allies, and any serious reverse to the Allies would result in a terrible disaster at the hands of the Bolsheviks to all the districts now held by the Allies. Reuter's correspondent considers that the despatch of further seasoned troops is advisable.

London, December 27.—Reuter's Agency learns that the Bolshevik Government has again approached the Allies regarding peace but the terms which the Bolsheviks now offer are in no way different from those submitted by Litvinoff through the Norwegian Government last November. The Allies have not responded to the Bolshevik proposals because they do not recognize the Bolshevik Government, which does not represent Russia.

The whole question of the general attitude of the Allies towards Russia is at present being discussed, hence there has been no declaration of Allied policy.

Pichou Makes Statement

Paris, December 25.—M. Pichou, Minister of Foreign Affairs, addressing the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies, explained what the Allies had done to support local Governments in Russia which desired to escape the influence of Bolshevism. He declared that the Allies intended to continue this policy without, however, extending it in the shape of military intervention. The sole pre-occupation of the Allies was to expel Bolshevism from Russia.

London, December 27.—A Russian wireless message states that the Bolsheviks have disarmed the Government militia in the district of Tomashov, Poland. A regular battle occurred between Bolshevik and Polish troops in the district of Dombrova.

Expedition Dangerous, Paris Thinks

Paris, December 27.—The attitude of the Allied Powers towards Russia is much discussed. Opponents of intervention state that the troops going to Russia are suspected of attempting to restore the old regime. Russian peasants, it is said, favored Bolshevism because it allowed partition of the land. An Allied expedition to Russia would involve very great difficulties, and if success was not obtained at once it would be threatened with disaster similar to Napoleon's army.

Bolshevik Defeat Serious

(Reuter's Pacific Service)
Vladivostok, December 28.—The defeat of the Bolsheviks at Perm by the Siberian forces, practically undisputed by the Allies, has aroused the greatest enthusiasm here and will undoubtedly act as a stimulus to the formation of the new Russian army. According to the reports received, this is the greatest victory gained over the Bolsheviks up to the present.

Heavy hand-to-hand fighting took place in the street of Perm and after a very severe struggle the Bolsheviks were crushed absolutely and the People's Commissaries directing the enemy forces took to flight. The French Mission is informed that over 18,000 Red Guards, sixty guns, numerous machine-guns, a hundred

locomotives, 4,000 cars and other spoils were captured.

General Knox is leaving for Omsk today.

Omsk, December 25.—On December 19 Admiral Koltchak received a deputation of the League of Political and Social Organizations, the headquarters of which are at Omsk and which includes representatives of the Council of Siberian Co-operative Societies, the All-Russian Council of Commercial and Industrial Assemblies, the Committee of the People's Socialist Party, the Committee of the Cossack armies in Siberia, Trans-Baikalia, Semirechie and Irkutsk, the Omsk group of the Revolutionary Socialist Party, the eastern section of the Constitutional Democratic or Cadet Party, the Central Military and Industrial Committee, the Akmoinsk section of the National League of the Social Democratic Party and the League of Restoration. The delegates declared that these organizations mutually agreed to work for the welfare of Russia and had decided to support Admiral Koltchak's authority as the supreme ruler.

The Russian press comments enthusiastically on this manifestation of the union of parties.

The same League elected General Janin as the representative of the French army, whose victories had helped to secure the triumph of liberty and right and expressed the hope that Russia's old ally would aid Russia to solve her national problems.

Harbin, December 29.—It is reported from Chelabinsk that the Bolshevik leaders, apparently dissatisfied with the result of their propaganda in the West, have decided to concentrate their efforts amongst the uneducated masses of the populations of India, China, Persia and Turkey, hoping to succeed better in the East.

Harbin, December 29.—General Knox, with his staff, arrived in Harbin by express train this evening on route to Omsk.

(French Wireless)

Paris, December 29.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). A message from Vladivostok says that, according to a telegram from Omsk, the capture of Perm is a magnificent success for the Russian troops, who took 15,000 prisoners, sixty guns and a large quantity of rifles, machine-guns, munitions and 4,000 wagons.

Bolshevik Destroyers

Captured By British

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
London, December 27.—The Admiralty states that Captain B. S. Thesiger, commanding H. M. S. Calypso, reports that he has captured two Bolshevik destroyers, one of which was engaged in bombarding a lighthouse in the vicinity of Revel. The officers and men were made prisoners.

SOVIET IN LITHUANIA

(Reuter's Agency War Service)
Copenhagen, December 24.—A Soviet government has been established in Lithuania with headquarters at Riga.

FIVE IN AMERICAN MISSION

(American Wireless To Reuters)
St. Louis, Mo., December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station). Five persons comprise the American Red Cross Mission to Siberia to inspect the war organizations there. They are George W. Simmons, of St. Louis, chief, with rank of major; Major Harry I. Moore, in charge of merchandise transportation; Captain Roy Macfarlane, secretary to Mr. Simmons; Lieutenant Charles McDonald, expert accountant; and Major Fred Emerson, surgeon. They will leave San Francisco on January 6.

Obituary

M. Surat
Reuter's Service
Paris, December 28.—M. Surat, Senator for Ardèche and an intimate friend of M. Clemenceau died yesterday.

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The Navy Y.M.C.A. desires to thank the following who, with others, assisted in entertaining American and British sailors arriving here yesterday: British-American Tobacco Company, Moutrie's, Robert Dollar Company, Electrical Department of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Central Garage, American Woman's Club, representatives of the British community and the Shanghai Municipal Council.

Three more kilns for the destruction of the opium stock are being built near the Customs godown in Pootung by order of the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs. The work is expected to be completed January 5.

Thirty-one directors of the Cantonese Guild for the ensuing year were elected at a meeting Sunday. Those who were selected included Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Mr. Tain Shao-yi, Mr. Guck Bew, Mr. Chung Mung-yew, Mr. Wen Chung-yao, Mr. Pan Chen-poo, Mr. Tain Hai-chow and Mr. S. S. Chow.

Mr. Fulean Arnold, the American Commercial Attaché, left for Peking Sunday morning with Mrs. Arnold and their four children. A special train was ordered for the party by the management of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. A large number of Chinese saw Mr. Arnold off at the North Station.

The Mixed Court will be closed tomorrow and Thursday on account of the New Year holidays.

Decision on the application for appeal filed by Mr. R. F. C. Master, counsel for the defense, in the case of Mr. G. Passeri against the Bureau of Liquidation of the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, will be rendered this morning at 9 o'clock by Italian Assessor Row and Magistrate Yui in the Mixed Court.

Dr. Lionel Street of Shanghai, recently commissioned a major with the American Red Cross for service in the reconstruction work in France, expected to sail from America November 26, according to word received here yesterday. Dr. Street expects to return to Shanghai within the next year.

Major A. L. Castle and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Surges are among the passengers who leave for Manila on the Nanking tomorrow.

The hearing of the Kwangwan case which was to have taken place at the Naval Court in Lunghua yesterday was postponed. The case will come up again, it is understood, January 9.

More than 100 Portuguese residents are expected to attend the New Year banquet tonight at the Lusitano Club. The Portuguese Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. J. Aquino, will play during the evening.

Mr. T. Harborne, the British Postmaster, desires to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of books, magazines, etc. from Messadmes Jenner Hoeg, Pelesen, T. E. Skidmore, P. J. Skidmore, Rev. C. F. Viking, Messrs. The Shanghai Times, Macfarlane and Co., Standard Oil Co. of New York, The Siberian Comforts Fund, G. A. Richardson, N. E. B. Esq., J. J. Dawe, A. Jost, "A.A.", "M.S." and "Anon."

Mr. Wu Chao-chu, the son of Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Mr. Chang Chi, former Speaker of the Senate, and Mr. Chu Ching-lan, former Governor of Kwangtung, will be the principal speakers at the reception to be given by the World's Chinese Students' Federation tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock to celebrate the New Year and to welcome the

new members of the organization. An interesting program has been arranged. Professor S. C. Li, of Tsing Hua College, Peking, will give a demonstration of magic. The Ai Ko girls' school and the federation school students will also take part in the entertainment.

SALMON FISHING CURBED
(American Wireless To Reuters)
Washington, December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—Salmon fishing privileges in Alaskan waters have been ordered sharply restricted by the Government in order to conserve the salmon industry.

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(American Wireless To Reuters)
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THOMAS SAMMONS,
American Consul-General,
Shanghai, December 24, 1918.

Ordonnance Consulaire

No. 12

24 Décembre 1918.

Nous, Auguste WILDEN, Consul de France, Chargé du Consulat Général de France à Shanghai, Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur.

Vu la délibération de la Commission d'Administration Municipale de la Concession Française de Shanghai en date du Dix neuf Décembre Mil neuf cent dix huit, ainsi conçue:

"BUDGET. 1919.—Considérant le surcroît de dépenses résultant du développement naturel que prennent les différents services de l'Administration Municipale,

"En vue de se procurer les nouvelles ressources qui lui sont nécessaires pour assurer le bon fonctionnement desdits services, et particulièrement de ceux qui intéressent la sécurité et la salubrité publique,

"La Commission, sur la proposition du Comité des Finances, décide de porter, à partir du 1 Janvier 1919, et sur toute l'étendue du territoire de la Concession Française,

1. L'impôt d'usage à 6/10% par an

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Vu les 11, 2 et 3 de l'Art. 9 de l'Ordonnance du 14 Avril 1868, portant règlement d'Organisation Municipale de la Concession Française de Shanghai,

Vu l'Art. 10 de la même Ordonnance, Attendu que la délibération ci-dessus de la Commission d'Administration Municipale de la Concession Française de Shanghai n'est en rien contraire aux Lois et Règlements Français.

Par ces motifs,

Avons ordonné et ordonnons ce qui suit:

Est rendue exécutoire, à partir du 1. Janvier 1919, selon sa forme et sa teneur, la délibération sus-visée de la Commission d'Administration Municipale de la Concession Française de Shanghai, en date du Dix Neuf Décembre Mil neuf cent dix huit.

Fait à Shanghai, en l'Hôtel Consulaire, le Vingt qua tre Décembre 1918.

Le Consul de France,

Chargé du Consulat Général de France à Shanghai,

Signé: A. WILDEN.

Pour copie certifiée conforme

Shanghai, le 24 Décembre 1918.

Pour le Vice-Consul, Chancelier,

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1. THAT it is desirable to liquidate the Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily.

2. THAT Messrs. S. A. Seth and A. H. Mancell, Public Accountants, jointly and severally, be and they are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purposes of such winding up.

By Order of the

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T. J. ROCHE,

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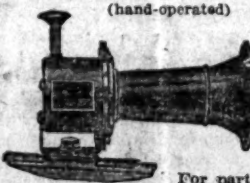
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No. 2563.

VEHICLE RANKS.

The attention of the public is drawn to the following extract from Municipal Notification No. 2533, dated July 31, 1918:—

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Exchange and Bullion

Shanghai, December 30, 1918.
Money And Bullion
 Sovereigns: buying rate.
 @ 5/3 = Tls. 3.97
 @ exch. 72.2 = Mex. 35.35
 Gold Dollars: Bank buying rate.
 @ 123 = Tls. 51.20
 @ 72.2 = Mex. 311.45
 Mex. Dollars Market Rate: 72.025
 Shanghai Gold Bars: 978 touch Tls. 265
 Copper Cash: per last 1895
 Native Interest: Tls. 28

Latent London Quotations
 Bar Silver: 45.7d.
 Bank Rate of Discount: 5%
 Ex. Bank on London: Fr. 25.93
 Ex. N. Y. on London T.T. G. \$4.76

Exchange Closing Quotations
 London: T.T. 5/2
 Demand: 5/2
 India: T.T. 344
 Paris: T.T. 671
 Demand: 674
 New York: Demand: 123
 Hongkong: T.T. 65
 Japan: T.T. 421
 Batavia: T.T. 292
 Singapore: T.T. 451

Banks Buying Rates
 London: Demand: 5/3
 4 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
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 90 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
 92 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
 94 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
 96 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
 98 m/s. Ctd. 5/4
 100 m/s. Ctd. 5/4

Roules Exchange
 Today's Bank Buying Rate
 For Roules
 Roules 1275 = Tls. 100
 Roules 100 = Tls. 107.75

Customs House Exchange Rates For December
 HK. Tls. 3.52 @ 5/14 21
 1 @ 1.50 Mex. 11.50
 1 @ 683 France 7.39
 0.74 @ 1214 Gold 1
 1 @ 431 Yen 2.54
 1 @ 15 Rupees 4.26
 1 @ Roules

Stock Exchange Transactions

Shanghai, December 30, 1918.
TODAY'S QUOTATIONS
Official
 Kungyik Cotton Tls. 15.90
 Hall & Heitz 113.50
Unofficial
 Kungyik Cotton Tls. 16.50 March
 Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf
 Tls. 89.00 March
 Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf
 Tls. 82.50 cash

Sharebrokers' Association Transactions

Shanghai, December 30, 1918.
Official
 New Engineering Tls. 26.50 March
Unofficial
 Bikes Tls. 0.70 cash
 Chemists Tls. 1.05 cash
 Yangtsepoen Cotton Tls. 9.00 Mar.

PARIS EXCHANGE

(French Wireless)
 Paris, December 28.—(Via Lyons and Koukaza). Paris exchange:
 Paris-London cheques: 26.00
 War Loans: 3 percent: 61.55
 4 percent 1917: 71.10
 Liberty Loans 4 percent 1918: 71.10
 5 percent: 88.25

U. K. METAL MARKET

London, Dec. 24.—Today's Metal prices were:
 Standard Copper G. M. B. f. o. b. 112 0 0
 American Electrolytic 90 90 0
 Copper f. o. b. 122 0 0
 Lead L. B. C. f. per ton: 46 0 0
 Soft Lead "Spanish" f. o. b. 46 0 0
 Quicksilver, second hand ex warehouse f. o. b. (1s. extra in flask): 21 10 0
 Muntz Metal, f. o. b. London or Liverpool (less 1/2%) 24 0 0
 Standard Tin (cash): 254 0 0
 Spelter (cash): 52 0 0
 Galvanized Sheets 24 gauge f. o. b. 31 0 0
 Standard Tin (3 months): 256 0 0
 Market closed till Monday.

COMMERCIAL CABLES

London, Dec. 24.—Today's rates, prices and deliveries were:
 Egyptian Fully Good Fair Sakelardie 27.00
 M. G. Pine Skinde and Bengali 16.16
 Good Middling Texas 1 1/2 inch staple 22.20
 Plantation Rubber, Jan. to March 2/23 1/2
 Deliveries, China Silk 197 bales
 Deliveries, Canton Silk 55 bales
 Deliveries, Japan Silk 267 bales
 Market closed till Monday.

BAR SILVER

London, December 23.—Today's Silver prices were:
 Bar Silver Spot: 48 1/16d. quiet.
 Previous quotations, London, Dec. 21:
 Bar Silver Spot: 48 7/16d. featureless.
 London, December 18:
 Bar Silver Spot: 48 7/16d. quiet.

LONDON RUBBER MARKET

London, December 23.—Today's Rubber prices were:
 Plantation First Latex Crepe. Spot: 2s. 2 1/2d. paid.
 April to June 2s. 2 1/2d. paid.
 Tendency of market: very dull.
 Previous quotations, London, Dec. 21:
 Spot: 2s. 2 1/2d. paid.
 April to June: 2s. 2 1/2d. paid.
 Tendency of market: dull.

LONDON COTTON MARKET

London, December 23.—Today's Cotton prices were:
 Good Middling Texas 1 1/2 inch staple spot: 22.20d.
 January: 19.98d.
 March: 18.28d.

Ewo Cotton Spinning And Weaving Co. Pays Tls. 17

The 23rd ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., was held yesterday morning at the offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. Mr. John Johnston presided, and was supported by Messrs. E. E. Clark, J. W. C. Bonnar, Zee Quai-yuen and Zau Sung-dau (members of the Consulting Committee) and Mr. J. Kerfoot, secretary.

The notice calling the meeting and the auditor's report having been read, the chairman said: Gentlemen: The report and statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days, and, with your permission, I will take them as read.

As indicated last year, it was difficult at that time to form any opinion regarding future prospects and the year now under review has been an anxious one with abnormal prices for cotton and uncertain and fluctuating prices for our products.

During the first six months record profits were made with our spinning, but between the months May to August half of this was lost, due to high priced cotton and the disturbed state of the country and insecurity of goods in transit from robber hands. This had the effect of preventing northern merchants from making purchases during the period above mentioned and consequently there was a slump in yarn notwithstanding the record prices we had to pay for our cotton. Fortunately our other departments assisted considerably, and with better margins of profit during the last two months, due to cheaper cotton and better prices for our products, the total profit for the twelve months ending October 31 was Tls. 54,416.74, which, with the amount brought forward from last year, leaves available for distribution Tls. 569,013.73.

It is proposed to pay Tls. 17 per share on the ordinary shares and it is interesting to note that since we commenced our weaving department eight years ago, to which other departments have been subsequently added, we shall have paid Tls. 107 per share in dividends—an average of 26.75 percent per annum.

You will notice from the report that it is proposed to write off Plant and Machinery Tls. 25,000, the same amount as last year—and if an equal amount can be set aside for the next ten years the most important part of our mills will have been written off altogether.

The amount to be written off Buildings is Tls. 25,000, being 5,000 more than last year, which is thought advisable owing to the additional mill buildings and godowns erected in recent years.

Since 1910 our additions to Plant and Machinery have cost Tls. 217,968.58 and Buildings Tls. 416,172.33. To meet this expenditure, we have only issued Tls. 400,000 7 percent Cumulative Preference Shares.

During the same period, our Plant and Machinery has been depreciated Tls. 447,000 and Buildings Tls. 137,000.

It is suggested that Tls. 30,000 should be added to the Special Repairs and Renewals Fund.

Principal working parts of the machinery in our No. 1 mill, which have been working 2 1/2 years—the greater part of that time during both day and night—require re-newing, and I think it speaks volumes for the makers, Messrs. Platt Bros. and Co., Ltd., and those who have had charge of the working of the mill in China that this machinery has stood the test of time and hard usage and is today still in such efficient condition.

The contribution to the British War Funds will, I am sure, meet with your approval. The two funds we subscribed to last year still call for our sympathy and assistance.

The bonus to the mill staff is based on the profits for the year. Our working costs have been high, more especially as regards coal, which has cost Tls. 131,000

more than last year. Interest is also Tls. 23,217 higher. These two items alone represent more than Tls. 10 per ordinary share.

Cotton Fluctuation Account—This account appears in our annual appropriation for the first time, and I would like to explain why we consider same necessary.

Our policy, as you are aware, has all along been to keep on the safe side and hold ample supplies of raw material, thus protecting ourselves against all eventualities. This you will understand involves a considerable loss should the price of cotton go against us but it also of course involves a corresponding gain if prices go up.

In Japan, manufacturers are enabled to hedge their purchases of cotton by sales of yarn on the local market, and it may be possible for us to adopt similar tactics when the Exchange, which has recently been opened in Shanghai, comes in full working order.

As long, however, as we have no "safe hedge" with which to protect ourselves, so long must we accept risks of the above mentioned nature, and it is to minimize these risks that we now propose to open this new reserve fund, which can be drawn upon whenever cotton goes against us.

The drop in American cotton when the armistice was declared, from gold cents thirty to twenty-five per lb. was more or less due to panic, and brought about by people who had only a monetary interest, selling "futures" as a "hedge" against other losses. Nevertheless it was responsible for a sharp decline in China cotton, as the Japanese millowners did not make their usual purchases.

I am optimistic as regards the future. The short crops of America and India are not sufficient to supply the world's demand. Directly the Central Powers come into the market, and with released shipping facilities, there must be a recovery in price. In fact New York is already back to nearly gold cents thirty per lb. through Liverpool buying.

As regards the cloth situation, one quarter of the world's spindles and looms have been stopped for some years. This has caused a shortage of cloth in the world's markets and this shortage will be still further accentuated as the demand for cotton goods must be greatly increased on the return to civil life of the demobilized forces who have until lately been taking part in the European war.

As regards our future prospects, with an early termination of the strife here in China between the North and South the markets throughout China should quickly recover. There is no doubt these markets are bare of stocks of course, high prices retard consumption, but giving due consideration to the point we can reasonably look for good trading in the new year.

At our last annual meeting, I referred to the International Commission which was then about to commence work on the revision of the Chinese Import Tariff. This commission under the able guidance of Vice-Admiral Tai Ting-kun, representing the Chinese Government, has now finished its work, and provided the new tariff receives the sanction of the various Governments interested, and I see no reason why it should not do so, our hopes regarding the benefit it will bring to China's cotton industry will in a great measure be realized. The Chinese Government will, however, persist in hampering its own industries by placing import duty on foreign cotton brought to China

LONDON MONEY MARKET

London, Dec. 24.—Today's rates were:
 Consols, 2 1/2% for a/c: 103
 French Rentes 3% for a/c: 61 1/2
 Cheques on London at Par: 25.97 1/2
 Telegraphic Transfers on London at New York: G. \$4.76 1/2
 Rupees: Paper, 1 1/2% Loan: 154-55
 Bar Silver: 48 7/16
 Bank Rate of Discount: 5%
 Market Rate of Discount (3 months Bank Bill): 3 1/2%
 Exchange Hongkong (Document Bills at 60 days): 2/4 d.
 Exchange on Shanghai (Document Bills at 60 days): 5/2 1/2 d.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares: 101 0 0
 Shell's (ord.): 67 6
 Indos (pref.): 4 2 6
 Indos (def.): 3 0 6
 Market closed till Monday.

Passengers Departed

Per C.P.O.S. s.s. Montague for Vancouver and beyond: Misses Kathleen Atkins, H. Lundvall, Mary Morgan Lloyd, Cath. Morgan Lloyd and Two Japanese 4% Bonds: X. 54
 Zok-ising, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bodoni, child and infant, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bartlett, Rev. and Mrs. Gilles, Mrs. C. M. Lloyd and infant, Messrs. A. Blackness, E. D. Forrester, T. Hadley, Wm. Jack, Andrew Turnbull, and H. Trowbridge; for Japan: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gorham, Mr. Wm. Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. M. Makaroff, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pomeroy, Messrs. M. Barham, W. H. Daub, K. Hirooka, Miya and K. Tanaka.
 S.S. Mimi

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SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE

Shanghai North To Nanking—Up (Main Line)									
STATIONS	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local
SHANGHAI	7.55	8.10	8.40	12.45	13.00	13.30	14.00	14.30	14.40
SOOCHOW	8.10	8.25	8.55	13.00	13.15	13.45	14.15	14.45	14.55
WUJIANG	8.20	8.35	9.05	13.10	13.25	13.55	14.25	14.55	15.05
CHANGCHOW	8.30	8.45	9.15	13.20	13.35	14.05	14.35	15.05	15.15
YANGTSE	8.40	8.55	9.25	13.30	13.45	14.15	14.45	15.15	15.25
CHINESE	8.50	9.05	9.35	13.40	13.55	14.25	14.55	15.25	15.35
NANKING	9.00	9.15	9.45	13.50	14.05	14.35	15.05	15.35	15.45

Nanking To Shanghai North—Down									
STATIONS	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local
NANKING	15.55	16.10	16.40	19.45	20.00	20.30	21.00	21.30	21.40
CHINESE	16.10	16.25	16.55	20.00	20.15	20.45	21.15	21.45	21.55
YANGTSE	16.20	16.35	17.05	20.10	20.25	20.55	21.25	21.55	22.05
CHANGCHOW	16.30	16.45	17.15	20.20	20.35	21.05	21.35	22.05	22.15
WUJIANG	16.40	16.55	17.25	20.30	20.45	21.15	21.45	22.15	22.25
SOOCHOW	16.50	17.05	17.35	20.40	20.55	21.25	21.55	22.25	22.35
SHANGHAI	17.00	17.15	17.45	20.50	21.05	21.35	22.05	22.35	22.45

SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW-NINGPO RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE

SHANGHAI NORTH TO ZAHKOU—"DOWN" MAIN LINE									
STATIONS	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local
Shanghai North	7.55	8.10	8.40	12.45	13.00	13.30	14.00	14.30	14.40
Jiaohai	8.10	8.25	8.55	13.00	13.15	13.45	14.15	14.45	14.55
Shanghai South	8.20	8.35	9.05	13.10	13.25	13.55	14.25	14.55	15.05
Lungchow Junction	8.30	8.45	9.15	13.20	13.35	14.05	14.35	15.05	15.15
Shanghai North	8.40	8.55	9.25	13.30	13.45	14.15	14.45	15.15	15.25
Shanghai South	8.50	9.05	9.35	13.40	13.55	14.25	14.55	15.25	15.35
Lungchow Junction	9.00	9.15	9.45	13.50	14.05	14.35	15.05	15.35	15.45

KONZENCHIAO TO ZAHKOU KIANGSHOO BRANCH LINE									
STATIONS	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local	Fast	Slow	Fast	Local
Konzenchiaio	6.50	7.10	7.40	11.45	12.00	12.30	13.00	13.30	13.40
Kenshangmun	7.10	7.25	7.55	11.55	12.10	12.40	13.10	13.40	13.50
Kiangchow	7.20	7.35	8.05	12.05	12.20	12.50	13.20	13.50	14.00
Zahkou	7.30	7.45	8.15	12.15	12.30	13.00	13.30	14.00	14.10

R. Restaurant Cars.

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S. Sleeping Cars.

GENERAL SHIPPING NEWS

Future Sailings

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
Dec. 4	—	Vancouver	Beasie Dollar	Br.	R. D. & Co.
Jan. 4	—	Seattle, etc.	Kashima Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Jan. 13	—	San Francisco	Nanking	Am.	C.M.S.S. Co.
Jan. 18	—	Tacoma, etc.	Arabia Maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
Jan. 18	—	San Francisco	Venezuela	Am.	P.M.S.R. Co.
Jan. 25	—	Vancouver	Kempess of Japan	Br.	C.P.R.
Jan. 29	—	Tacoma, etc.	Manila Maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
Jan. 30	—	San Francisco	Siberia Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Feb. 1	—	Vancouver	McVie Dollar	Br.	R. D. & Co.
Feb. 1	—	Vancouver	Stanley Dollar	Br.	R. D. & Co.
Feb. 1	—	Vancouver	Harold Dollar	Br.	R. D. & Co.
Feb. 1	—	New York via Panama	Bloemfontein	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Feb. 1	—	San Francisco	Katori Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Feb. 2	—	Seattle, etc.	China	Am.	C.M.S.S. Co.
Feb. 11	—	San Francisco	Tenyo Maru	Jap.	T. K. K.
Feb. 22	—	Vancouver	Empress of Japan	Br.	C.P.R.
Mar. 8	—	San Francisco	Shinyo Maru	Jap.	T. K. K.

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Jan. 2	—	Moji, Kobe and Osaka	Takeshima Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 2	—	Kobe	Kanagawa Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 2	—	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yama	Kanagawa Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 4	—	Moji, Kobe & Osaka	Tawata Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 8	—	Moji, Kobe & Osaka	Omi Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 10	—	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yama	Yamashiro M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 10	—	Nagasaki	Rizma	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 11	—	Moji, Kobe & Osaka	Kumano Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan. 14	—	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yama	Chikugo Maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Feb. 3	—	London, etc.	Mishima Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Jan. 20	—	Liverpool, etc.	Tamba Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Jan. 20	—	London	Borneo Maru	Jap.	O. S. K.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Dec. 31	4:30	Ningpo	Kiangtzen	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 31	9:00	Hongkong and Canton	Sungun	Br.	B. & S.
Dec. 31	—	Hongkong and Manila	Nanking	Am.	C.M.S.S. Co.
Jan. 1	4:00	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	Chi.	N.S.A. Co.
Jan. 1	4:30	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	Chi.	N.S.A. Co.
Jan. 1	—	D.L. Amoy, H'kong & Canton	Paoing	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 5	—	D.L. Swatow and Hongkong	Yingchow	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 7	—	D.L. Hongkong and Canton	Sinkiang	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 9	—	D.L. Amoy, H'kong & Canton	Suiyang	Br.	B. & S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Dec. 31	—	Chefoo	Hsin Kong	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 31	9:30	Dairen	Sakaki Maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
Jan. 3	—	Wingtao and Dairen	Kobe Maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
Jan. 3	—	Chinwangtao	Hiro	Jap.	K.M.A.
Jan. 10	4:30	Vladivostok	Penza	Rus.	R.V.P.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Dec. 31	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Tsokwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Dec. 31	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Ngankin	Br.	B. & S.
Dec. 31	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Suiyang Maru	Jap.	N. K. K.
Dec. 31	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Changung	Br.	H.O. S.S. Co.
Jan. 1	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Kweilee	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 1	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Wuchang	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 2	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Tatung	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 2	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Huallee	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Jan. 3	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Loongwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Jan. 3	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Luenyi	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 4	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Fengyang Maru	Jap.	N. K. K.
Jan. 4	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Wosung	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 4	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Luenbo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
Jan. 7	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Suiwo	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 7	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 8	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Chungking	Br.	B. & S.
Jan. 10	M.N.	Hankow, etc.	Ngankin	Br.	B. & S.

A.M. N.M.—MIDNIGHT. D.L.—DAYLIGHT.

Arrivals

Arrived	From	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
Dec. 30	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	Chi.	N.S.S. Co.
Dec. 30	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	Chi.	N.S.S. Co.
Dec. 30	Japan	Nanking	Am.	C.M.S.S. Co.
Dec. 30	Japan	Santo Maru	Jap.	
Dec. 30	Japan	Sefuku Maru	Jap.	
Dec. 30	Japan	Pikuko Maru	Jap.	
Dec. 30	Hankow	Kweilee	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
Dec. 30	Hankow	Wuchang	Br.	B. & S.
Dec. 30	Hankow	Fengyang Maru	Jap.	N. K. K.
Dec. 30	Hankow	Changung	Br.	H.O. & Co.
Dec. 30	Dairen	Sakaki Maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
Dec. 30	Swatow	Wenchow	Br.	B. & S.
Dec. 30	Nagasaki	Hiro	Jap.	K.M.A.
Dec. 30	Nagasaki	Meiville Dollar	Br.	R. D. & Co.

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Co's Str. Suiyang Maru Capt. H. Yamashita, will be despatched from the China Merchants' Central Wharf on Tuesday, December 31, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to THE NISSIN KISEN KAISHA, No. 5 The Bund.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's Str. Tsokwo, tons 2,770, Capt. Campbell, will leave on Tuesday, December 31, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers, Passengers Tel. No. 240. Freight Tel. No. 250.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Ngankin, Captain H. A. Wavell, will leave from the French Bund on Friday, January 3, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Telephone No. 77. Passage Telephone No. 401.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Str. Kwei Lee, Captain J. Smith, will leave on Wednesday night. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Wuchang, Captain Pickard, will leave on Wednesday, January 1, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Tatung, Captain Williams, will leave from the French Bund on Thursday, January 2, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's Str.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Chungking, Captain J. Macdonald, will leave on Wednesday, January 2, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

For Southern Ports

HONGKONG & CANTON.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Singan, Captain W. McDonald, will leave on Tuesday, December 31, at 9 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

AMOI, HONGKONG & CANTON.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Paoing, Captain P. R. Purdy, will leave on Wednesday, January 1, at daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

NINGPO.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Hsin Peking, Captain A. Scott, R.N.R., will leave from the French Bund on Wednesday, January 1, at 4:30 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

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TAKAO (FORMOSA) via FOO-CHOW & KEELUNG.—The Steamer Suma Maru, Captain N. Iwamatsu, will be despatched from the Co's Yangtzepoo Wharf on Tuesday, January 7, at daylight. The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the jetty in front of the Nishin Kisen Kaisha at 10 a.m. on the same day. For Freight and Passage, please apply to THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, No. 4, The Bund, Tel. Central No. 4234 & 4235.

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TAKOMA & SEATTLE CALLING at VICTORIA, B. C. via NAGASAKI or MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA.—The Osaka Shosen Kaisha's Steamer Arabia Maru, Captain I. Hamada, will be despatched on Thursday, January 16. Through Bills of Lading are granted to overland points connecting with the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. at Seattle and Tacoma. Consular invoices must accompany shipment to U.S.A. The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the Custom's jetty at 10 a.m. on the same day. For Freight or Passage, please apply to THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, No. 4, The Bund, Telephone No. 4234 & 4235.

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HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's Str. Suiwo, tons 2,871, Captain Gray, will leave on Tuesday, January 7, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers, Passengers Tel. No. 240. Freight Tel. No. 250.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The China Navigation Co's Steamer Poyang, Captain Carnaghan, will leave from the French Bund on Tuesday, January 7, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77. Passage Tel. No. 401.

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Old World Order Must Go, Says Wilson At Guildhall

(Continued from Page 1)

other, a balance which was determined by the unstable equilibrium of competitive interests, a balance which was maintained by jealous watchfulness and an antagonism of interests which though it was generally latent was always deep-seated. "The men who have fought in this war have been the men from free nations who were determined that that sort of thing should end now and forever. It is very interesting to me to observe how from every quarter, from every sort of mind, from every corner of counsel there comes the suggestion that there must now be not a balance of power, not one powerful group of nations set off against another but a single overwhelming powerful group of nations who shall be the trust of the peace of the world. It has been delightful in my conference with the leaders of your government to find how our minds moved along exactly the same line and how our thoughts were always that the key to the peace was the guarantee of the peace not the terms of it; that the terms would

be worthless unless there stood back of them a permanent concert of power for their maintenance. That is the most reassuring thing that has ever happened in the world. **League Of Nations Practical** "When this war began the thought of a League of Nations was indolently considered as the interesting thought of closeted students. It was thought of as one of those things that it was right to characterize by a name which as a university man I have always resented. It was said to be academic as if that in itself were a condemnation, something that men could think about but never get. Now we find the practical leading minds of the world determined to get it. No such sudden and potent union of purpose has ever been witnessed in the world before.

"Do you wonder, therefore, gentlemen, that in common with those who represent you, I am eager to get at the business and write the sentences down? And that I am particularly happy that the ground is cleared and the foundations laid—for we have already accepted the same body of principles? Those principles are clearly and definitely enough stated to make their application a matter which should afford no fundamental difficulty. And back of us is that imperative yearning of the world to have all disturbing questions, to have all threats against peace allented, to have just men everywhere come together for a common object.

"The peoples of the world want peace, and they want it now not merely by conquest of arms but by agreement of mind. It was this incomparable great object that brought me overseas. It has never before been deemed excusable for a President of the United States to leave the territory of the United States but I know that I have the support of the judgment of my colleagues in the Government of the United States in saying that it was my paramount duty to turn away even from the imperative tasks at home to lend such counsel and aid as I could to this great, may I not say final, enterprise of humanity."

Addresses Distinguished Delegation London, December 28.—At the

American Embassy today, addressing the delegation from the League of Nations Union, which was headed by Viscount Grey and included the Archbishop of Canterbury and Viscount Bryce, President Wilson said:

"Gentlemen: I am very much complimented that you should come to present to this address and I have been delighted and stimulated to find the growing and prevailing interest in the subject of the League of Nations not only a growing interest, but a growing purpose which, I am sure, will prevail, and it is delightful that members of the Government which brought this nation into the war because of the moral obligations based upon a treaty should be among those who have brought me this paper, because on the other side of the water we have greatly admired the motives and subscribed to the principles which actuated the Government of Great Britain. In obeying that moral dictate you have shown what we must ourselves, namely, that same force and sense of obligation and unless we organize it, the thing that we do now will not stand. I feel that so strongly that it is particularly cheering to know just how strong and imperative the idea has become. I thank you very much indeed; it has been a privilege to see you personally. I was just saying to Lord Grey that we had indirect knowledge of each other and that I am glad to identify him. I feel as if I had met him long ago and I had the pleasure of matching minds with Mr. Asquith yesterday."

Talks To Churchmen

London, December 28.—At noon on Saturday, addressing a large delegation from the National Council of the Evangelical Free Churches, President Wilson said:

"Gentlemen: I am very much honored and I might say, touched, by this beautiful address that you have just read and it is very delightful to feel the comradeship of spirit which is indicated by a greeting like this. You are quite right, sir, in saying that I do recognize the sanction of religion in these times of perplexity, with matters so large to settle that no man can feel that his mind can compass them. I think one would go crazy if he did not believe in Providence. It would be a maze without a clue. Unless there were some supreme evidence, we would despair of the results of human counsel. So that it is with genuine sympathy that I acknowledge the spirit and thank you for the generosity of your address."

Conference At Palace Lasts Throughout Day

London, December 27.—Reuter's Agency is authorized to state that the conference with President Wilson at Buckingham Palace and Downing Street proved "most satisfactory to both sides." The discussion at the conference extended over a very wide range of subjects, including President Wilson's fourteen points. All the statesmen engaged expressed themselves as being extremely pleased with the results of the day's work. One said: "You can certainly say there was no serious difference of opinion."

The conference between President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George at the Palace today lasted for three hours. Mr. A. J. Balfour was also present. Subsequently President Wilson lunched at No. 10 Downing Street. The guests included Mr. Asquith, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Lord Reading, the Marquis of Crewe, Viscount Bryce, Lord Curzon, Mr. A. Bonar Law and Mr. A. J. Balfour. A big crowd gathered in Downing Street and gave ovations to President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George.

Unveils Washington Portrait After a luncheon at 10 Downing Street this afternoon President Wilson unveiled a full length oil portrait of George Washington, which the Earl and Countess of Albemarle had presented to the Government to commemorate the entry of America into the war. Lord and Lady Albemarle attended the ceremony, which

was entirely informal. There were no speeches. The picture hangs in the dining-room of the Prime Minister near portraits of Burke and Fox. Subsequently President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George resumed their conference, at which other members of the War Cabinet were present. The conference lasted until 4:30. A large crowd remained outside 10 Downing Street all afternoon in order to see President Wilson as he returned to Buckingham Palace.

London, December 27.—Now that President Wilson has arrived in England the papers this morning comment of the results likely to accrue from his presence in Europe. The papers are full of hope and almost enthusiastic and they dwell on the spirit of mutual confidence and reliance hitherto characterizing the relations between Great Britain and America. They repudiate the apprehensions at one time expressed that President Wilson was likely to prove a stiff-necked doctrinaire and emphasize that it is not the question of removing the difference of policy which will come up for discussion between President Wilson and British statesmen but the hope that a concrete plan for co-operation between Great Britain and America will be formulated, such as opinion on both sides. The Atlantic Ocean seems necessary for the future progress of the world. In this connection some papers demand the adoption of a clearer policy concerning Russia.

NO DIFFERENCE OF OPINION

(American Wireless To Reuter)

London, December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—Premier Lloyd George accompanied by Sir Maurice Hankey, secretary of the Imperial Defense Committee, arrived at Buckingham Palace at 10:30 o'clock for a conference with President Wilson. President Wilson, Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Balfour informally conferred until 1:30 o'clock and after luncheon continued their conference until 5:30. It was learned that nothing developed in the conference to show any substantial difference in principles or fundamentals.

President Wilson's plans are to return to Paris on New Year's Day and leave within twenty-four hours for Italy.

Is Guest Of King George

At Buckingham Palace

(Reuter's Agency War Service) London, December 27.—At the State banquet given to the President of the United States at Buckingham Palace this evening, His Majesty the King said:

"This is an historic moment; your visit marks an historic epoch. Nearly one hundred and fifty years have passed since your Republic began an independent life; now, for the first time, the President of the United States is our guest in England. We welcome you to the country whence came your ancestors, where stand the homes of those from whom sprang Washington and Lincoln."

"We welcome you for yourself as one whose insight, calmness and dignity in the discharge of his high duties we have watched with admiration. We see in you the happy union of the gifts of the scholar with those of the statesman. You came from studious academic quiet into the full stream of arduous public life; your deliverances combined breadth of view and a grasp of world problems with a mastery of lofty diction recalling that of your great orators of the past and of our own."

"You come as the official head and spokesman of a mighty commonwealth bound to us by the closest ties. Its people speak the tongue of Shakespeare and Milton.

Our literature is yours as yours is also ours, and men of letters in both countries have joined in maintaining its incomparable glories. To you, not less than to us, belong the memories of our national heroes from King Alfred down to the days of Philip Sidney, Drake, Raleigh, Blake and Hampton—days when the political life of the English stock in North America was just dawning. You share with us traditions of free self-government as old as Magna Charta."

Common Ideals Cherished

"We recognize a bond of still deeper significance in the common ideals which our people cherish. First among these ideals, you value and we value, freedom and peace. Privileged as we have been to be exponents and examples of national life, of the principles of popular self-government based upon equal laws, it now falls to both of us alike to see how these principles can be applied beyond our own borders for the good of the world. It was love of liberty and respect for law, good faith and the sacred rights of humanity that brought you to the old world to join in saving it from the dangers that were thickening around, that arrayed those citizens and soldiers of yours, whose gallantry we have admired, side by side with ours in the war. You now come to help in building new States amid the ruins of those the war has shattered and in laying the solid foundations of a settlement that may stand firm because it will rest upon the consent of the emancipated nationalities."

Common Hope To Avert War "You have eloquently expressed the hope of the American people, as it is our hope, that some plan may be devised to attain the plan you have done so much to promote by which the risk of future wars may, if possible, be averted, relieving nations of the intolerable burden which the fear of war has laid upon them. The British nation wishes all success to the deliberations on which you, we, and the great free nations allied to us are now about to enter, moved by disinterested goodwill and a sense of duty commensurate with the power which we hold as a solemn trust."

"The American and British peoples have been brothers in arms; their arms have been crowned with victory. We thank with all our hearts your valiant soldiers and sailors for their splendid part in the victory, as we thank the American people for their noble response to the call of civilization and humanity. May the same brotherly spirit inspire and guide our united efforts and secure for the world the blessings of an ordered freedom and enduring peace."

"In asking you to join with me in drinking the health of the President, I wish to say with what pleasure we welcome Mrs. Wilson to this country. I would drink the health of the President of the United States and Mrs. Wilson's and the happiness and prosperity of the great American nation."

MR. WILSON'S REPLY

Replying to the speech of the King, President Wilson said:

"Your Majesty: I am deeply complimented by the gracious words which you have uttered. The welcome which you have given me and Mrs. Wilson has been so warm, so natural and so evidently from the heart that we have been more than pleased, we

have been touched by it, and I believe I correctly interpret that welcome as embodying not only your own generous spirit towards us personally but also as expressing for yourself and the great nation over which you preside that same feeling for my people of the United States. For you and I are—I temporarily—embody the spirit of two great nations and whatever strength I have and whatever authority I possess only so long and so far as I express the spirit and purpose of the American people. Any influence that the American people have over the affairs of the world is measured by their sympathy with the aspiration of free men everywhere. America does love freedom and I believe that she loves freedom unselfishly. But if she does not, she will not and cannot help the influence to which she justly aspires."

"I have had the privilege, Sir, of conferring with the leaders of your own government and with the spokesmen of the governments of France and Italy and I am glad to say that I have the same conceptions that they have of the significance and scope of duty upon which we have met."

To Apply Right And Justice

"We have used great words, all of us; we have used the great words 'Right' and 'Justice'; and now we are to prove whether or not we understand the words and how they are to be applied to the particular settlements which must conclude this war. And we must not only understand them but we must have courage to act upon our understanding. Yet, after I have uttered the word 'courage' it comes into my mind that it would take more courage to resist that great moral tide now running in the world than to yield to it, than to obey it."

"There is a great tide running in the hearts of men. The hearts of men have never beaten so singularly in unison before. Men have never before been so conscious of their brotherhood. Men have never before realized how little difference there was between right and justice in one latitude and in another, under one sovereignty and under another and it will be our high privilege, I believe, Sir, not only to apply the moral judgment of the world to the particular settlements which we shall attempt but also to organize the moral force of the world to preserve those settlements, to steady the forces of mankind and to make right and justice, to which great nations like our own have devoted themselves, the predominant and controlling force of the world. "There is something inspiring in

knowing that this is the errand that we have come on. Nothing less than this would have justified me in leaving the important tasks which fall upon me on the other side of the sea; nothing but the consciousness that nothing else compares with this in dignity and importance. Therefore it is the more delightful to find myself in the company of a body of men united in ideal and in purpose and to feel that I am privileged to unite my thought with yours in carrying forward this standard which we are so proud to hold high and defend."

"May I not, Sir, with a feeling of profound sincerity and friendship and sympathy, propose your own health and the health of the Queen and the prosperity of Great Britain."

AMERICAN NAVAL UNITS TO VISIT COPENHAGEN

Daniels Explains Their Trip Has No Connection With Russian Situation

(American Wireless To Reuter)

Washington, December 28.—(Received at French Wireless Station).—With reference to reports from Copenhagen concerning the arrival of an American fleet there soon, Secretary of the Navy Daniels explained today that a scout cruiser, the Chester, and a few submarine-chasers had been ordered to Copenhagen merely to visit the country. He said this had no significance whatever with respect to Russia or the conditions there.

JAPAN PLANS TO REVISE TREATIES WITH POWERS

Will Appoint Commission To Change Conventions To Meet Present Requirements

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokyo, December 28.—A special commission will soon be appointed for revising the treaties with the Powers in order to meet the requirements of economic relations after the war. The commission will be composed of diplomatic experts placed under the direction of the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

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"THE MISSING LINKS"

"A Prosperous New Year to All Our Patrons"

Are you a Poet? Can you Compose?

Prizes will be given for the best couplet sent in to fill the missing space in this chorus:



"If your hair were not so curly,
And your teeth so pearly, girle,
I would still love you.
If you said you didn't love me,
And thought yourself above me,
I would still love you.
If your bills for hats and dressing
Had my bank-roll badly guessing
I would still be true.
(Fill in here)
I would still love you."



Example: "If I saw you making faces over losing at the Races."

Address all attempts to: "Keeley and Aldous, The Carlton."

The Winning Couplet will be announced during dinner on Tuesday at

The Carlton Cafe

All couplets sent in will be sung by KEELEY & ALDOUS during the dinner performance.